the Four Constables

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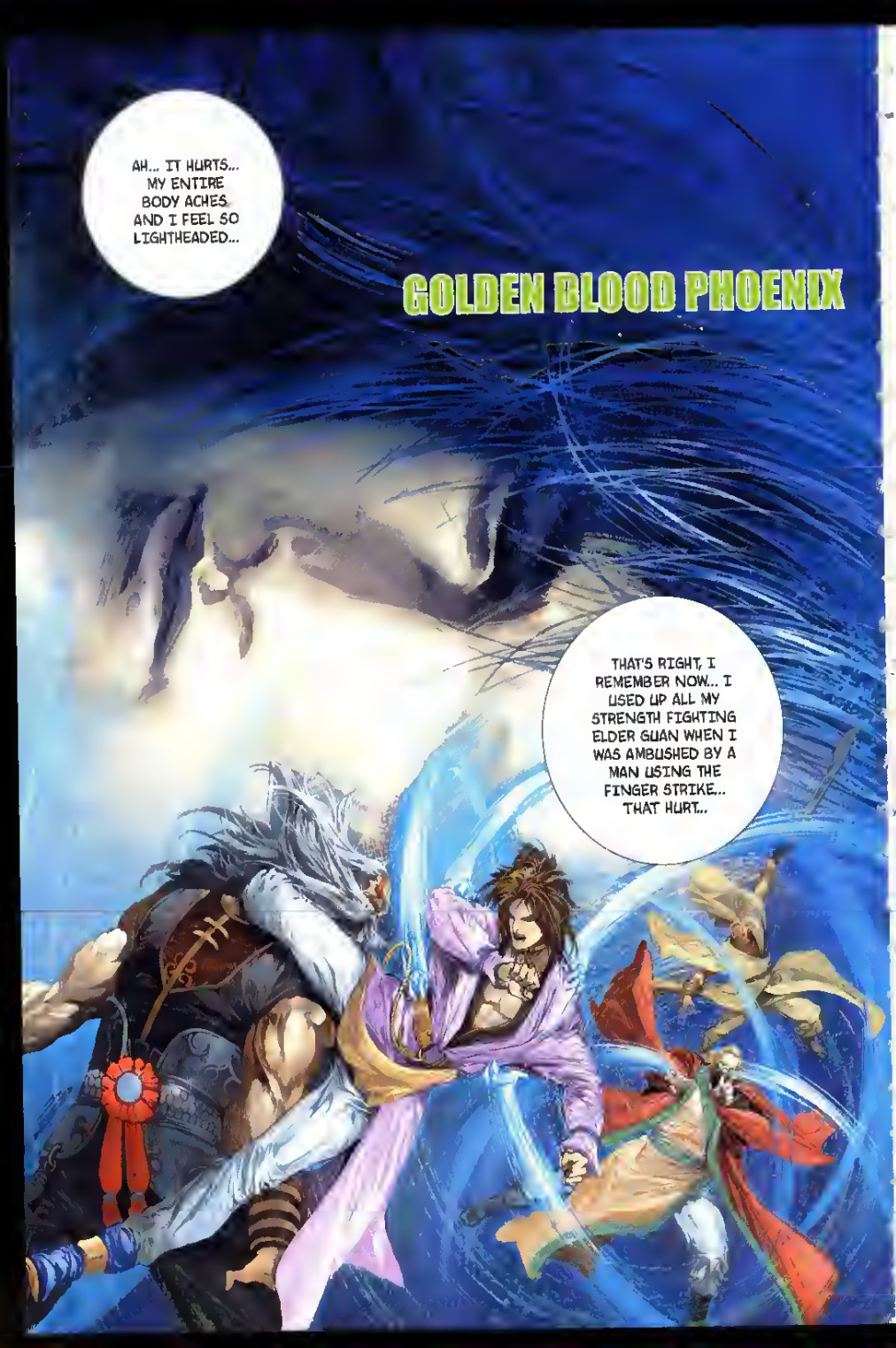
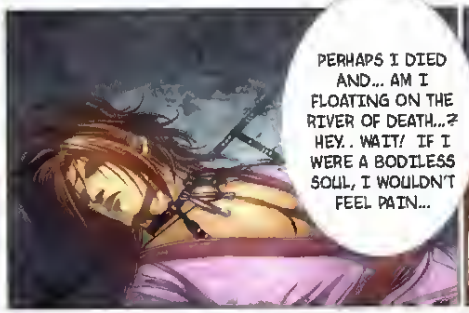
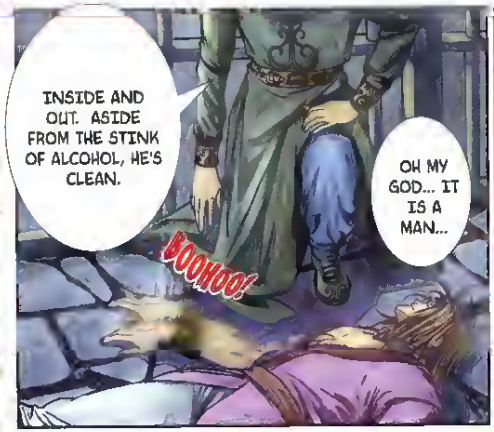

AH... IT HURTS... MY ENTIRE BODY ACHES AND I FEEL SO LIGHTHEADED...
GOLDEN BLOOD PHOENIX
THAT'S RIGHT, I REMEMBER NOW... I USED UP ALL MY STRENGTH FIGHTING ELDER GUAN WHEN I WAS AMBUSHED BY A MAN USING THE FINGER STRIKE... THAT HURT...

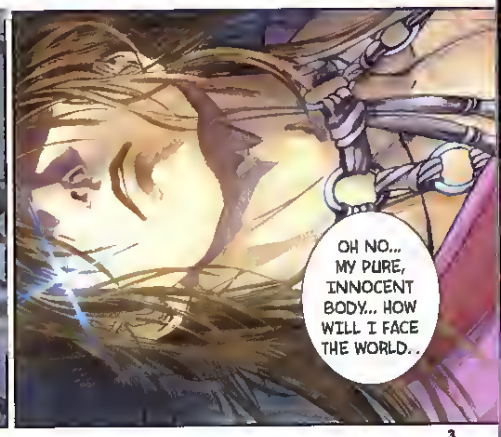

PERHAPS I DIED AND... AM I FLOATING ON THE RIVER OF DEATH...? HEY.. WAIT! IF I WERE A BODILESS SOUL, I WOULDN'T FEEL PAIN...

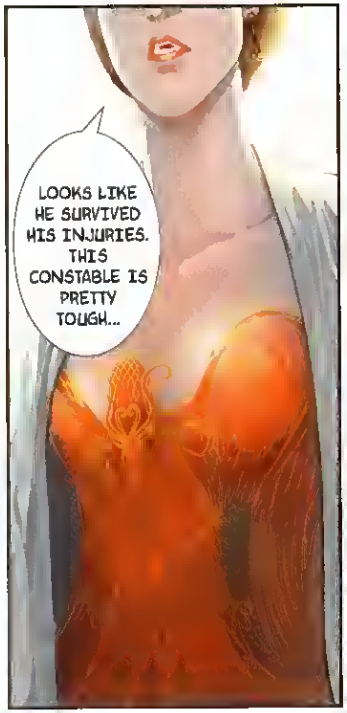
ARE THOSE HANDS TOUCHING ME? IT FEELS LIKE SOMEONE IS SEARCHING ME... GROPING ME... HOW RUDE...
OH NO... THE PERVERT IS GOING LOWER!

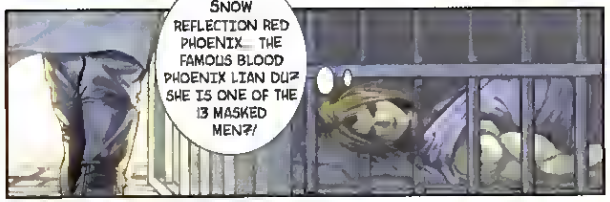
BUDDHA PROTECT ME... THIS PERSON PAWING ME ALL OVER... PLEASE DON'T LET IT BE SOME UGLY OLD BROAD! OR WORSE A MAN!

HOW GOES IT? DID YOU SEARCH EVERYWHERE?

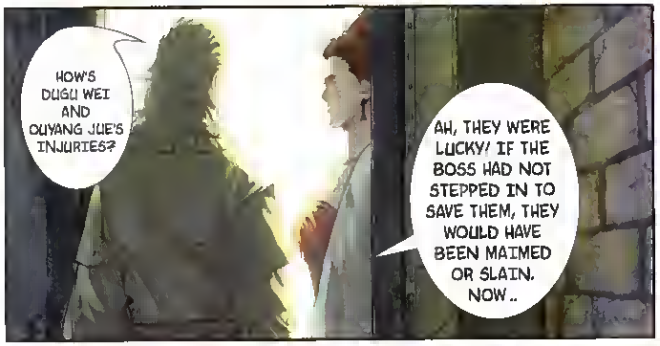

INSIDE AND OUT. ASIDE FROM THE STINK OF ALCOHOL, HE'S CLEAN.
OH MY GOD... IT IS A MAN...
BOOHOO!


OH NO... MY PURE, INNOCENT BODY... HOW WILL I FACE THE WORLD..

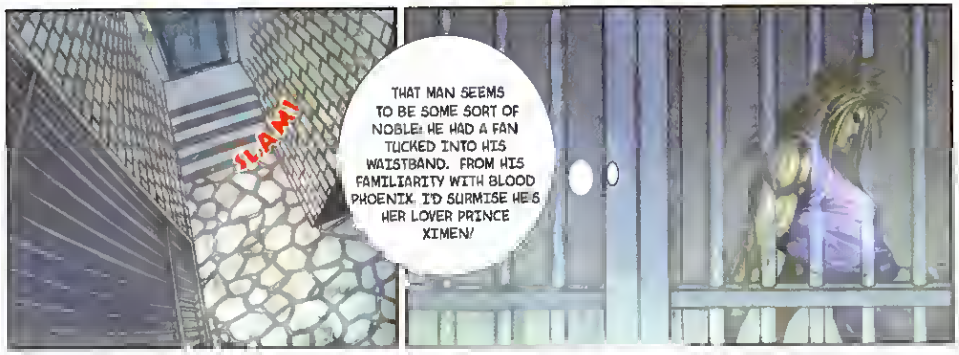

LOOKS LIKE HE SURVIVED HIS INJURIES. THIS CONSTABLE IS PRETTY TOUGH...


SNOW REFLECTION RED PHOENIX... THE FAMOUS BLOOD PHOENIX LIAN DU? SHE IS ONE OF THE 13 MASKED MEN?!

BOSS SIMA SAID HE'S STILL USEFUL, OTHERWISE DUGU WEI WOULD HAVE FINISHED HIM ALREADY...

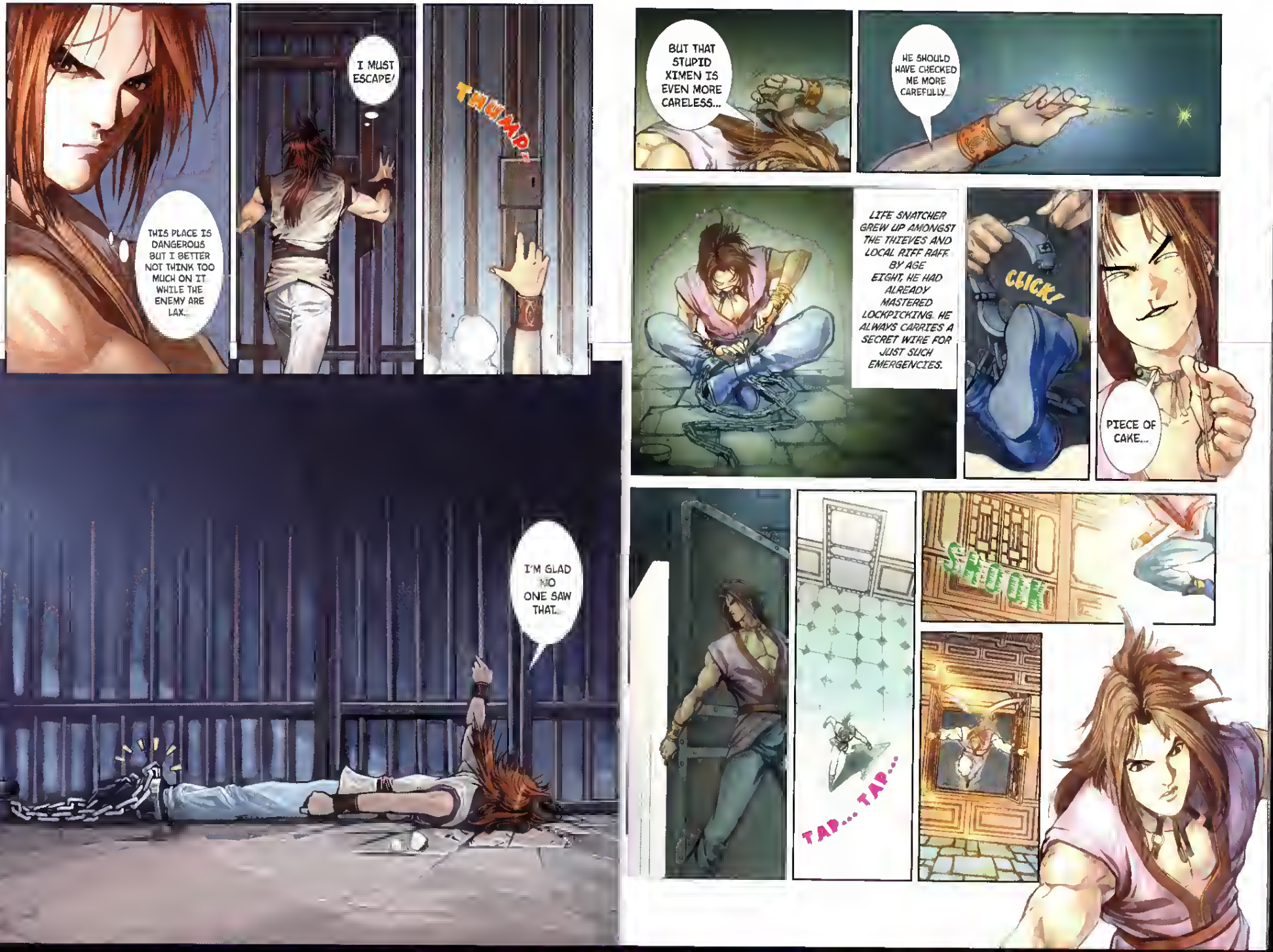

HOW'S DUGU WEI AND OUYANG JUE'S INJURIES?
AH, THEY WERE LUCKY! IF THE BOSS HAD NOT STEPPED IN TO SAVE THEM, THEY WOULD HAVE BEEN MAIMED OR SLAIN. NOW..

GET AWAY! DON'T TOUCH ME WITH THAT DIRTY HAND YOU SEARCHED THAT DRUNKARD CONSTABLE WITH! YOU DIDN'T EVEN CHANGE OR BATHE BEFORE HUGGING ME. ARE YOU ASKING FOR TROUBLE...?


SLAM!
THAT MAN SEEMS TO BE SOME SORT OF NOBLE! HE HAD A FAN TUCKED INTO HIS WAISTBAND. FROM HIS FAMILIARITY WITH BLOOD PHOENIX. I'D SURMISE HE'S HER LOVER PRINCE XIMEN!

BLOOD PHOENIX LIAN DU
THE DAUGHTER OF INFAMOUS BRIGANDS, HER FAMILY LEADS A PRESTIGIOUS BAND OF THIEVES. BLOOD PHOENIX IS NATURALLY TALENTED IN MARTIAL ARTS, AND AT THE TENDER AGE OF 15 SHE HAD ALREADY COMMANDED CONSIDERABLE RESPECT AMONGST THE THIEVES. HER GOLDEN SABER ONCE CHOPPED DOWN A PAIR OF FEARSOME ONI PALMS
WHICH BELONGED TO HER BROTHER, "BLOOD CHAIN BAI DUI" HE HAD TOUCHED HER FACE WITH UNWASHED HANDS AFTER RELIEVING HIMSELF!
SHE IS OBSESSIVELY ANAL RETENTIVE AND PARTICULAR ABOUT CLEANLINESS FINDING SATISFACTION IN CUTTING OFF COUNTLESS HANDS THAT SHE DEEMS SOILED. THIS COUPLED WITH HER RUTHLESSNESS HAS MADE EVEN THE MOST FEARSOME FOES SHUDDER UPON HEARING HER NAME
DUSKLESS ROBES PHOENIX BATHES IN BLOOD - LIAN DU

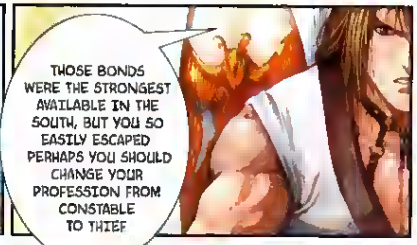
PRINCE XIMEN -
HEAD OF THE GREAT HOUSE XIMEN. NEARLY 50 YEARS OLD, XIMEN IS KNOWN AS A PLAYBOY, BASKING IN THE COMPANY OF BEAUTIFUL WOMAN, AND RARELY TRAVELING OUTSIDE OF HIS HOME. ALTHOUGH XIMEN WAS ONCE A POWERFUL HOUSE, IN RECENT YEARS IT HAS DECLINED, ITS PAST GLORY VAGUELY REMEMBERED BY THE PUBLIC.
PRINCE XIMEN IS KNOWN FOR SQUANDERING HIS TIME AND FAMILY WEALTH ON FRIVOLOUS SELF INDULGENCE.
BUT WITHIN EACH GENERATION OF HOUSE XIMEN, ONE CAN FIND INCREDIBLE FIGHTERS AND MARTIAL ARTISTS. GHOST GOD - PRINCE XIMEN IS AMONG THEM.


THIS PLACE IS DANGEROUS BUT I BETTER NOT THINK TOO MUCH ON IT WHILE THE ENEMY ARE LAX...
I MUST ESCAPE!
THUMP
I'M GLAD NO ONE SAW THAT...
BUT THAT STUPID XIMEN IS EVEN MORE CARELESS...
HE SHOULD HAVE CHECKED ME MORE CAREFULLY...
LIFE SNATCHER GREW UP AMONGST THE THIEVES AND LOCAL RIFF RAFF. BY AGE EIGHT, HE HAD ALREADY MASTERED LOCKPICKING. HE ALWAYS CARRIES A SECRET WIRE FOR JUST SUCH EMERGENCIES.
CLICK!
PIECE OF CAKE...
TAP... TAP...
SHOOK

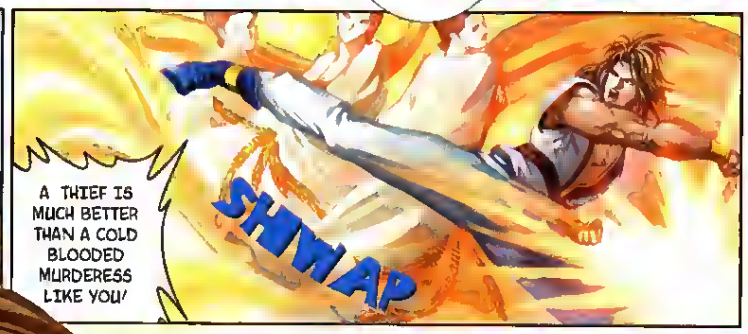
LAKE TIANZI?

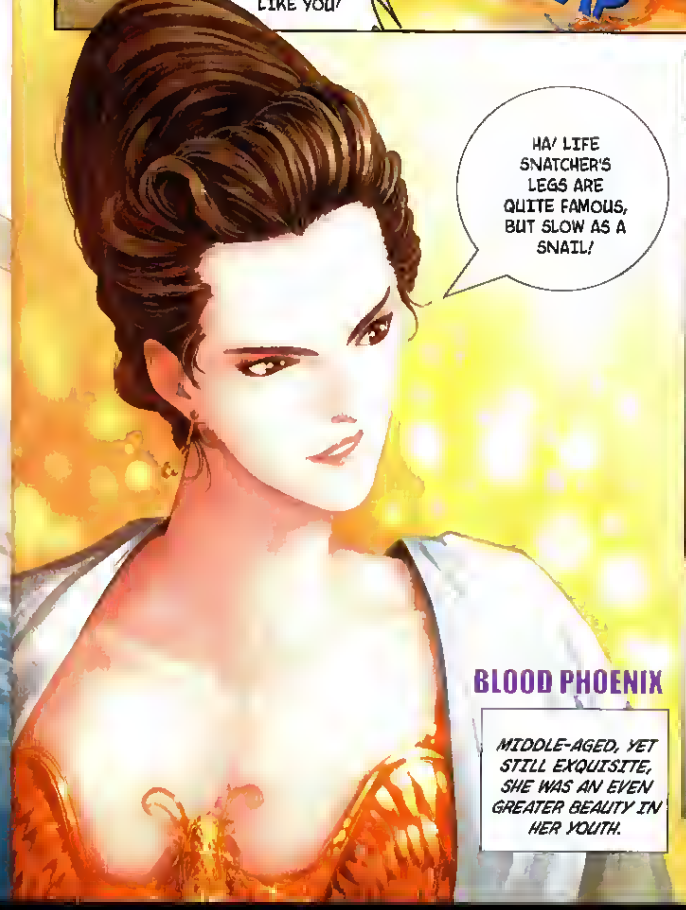
SO, IM AT HOUSE XIMEN--A MERE TEN MILES OUTSIDE THE CAPITAL!

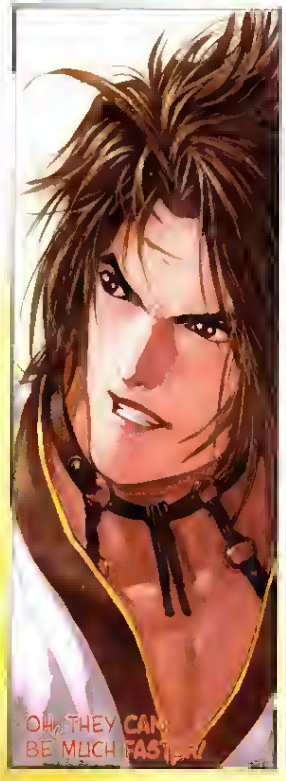
IT'S NOON, I'VE BEEN UNCON-SCIOUS A WHOLE DAY...


THOSE BONDS WERE THE STRONGEST AVAILABLE IN THE SOUTH, BUT YOU SO EASILY ESCAPED PERHAPS YOU SHOULD CHANGE YOUR PROFESSION FROM CONSTABLE TO THIEF

CHAK!

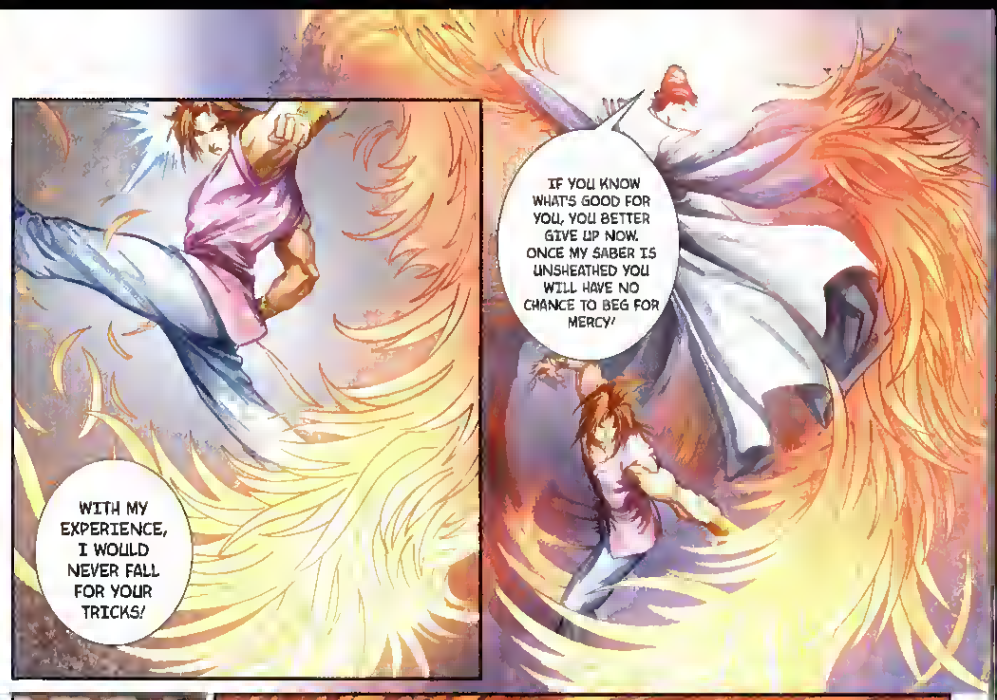

A THIEF IS MUCH BETTER THAN A COLD BLOODED MURDERESS LIKE YOU!
SHWAP


HA! LIFE SNATCHER'S LEGS ARE QUITE FAMOUS, BUT SLOW AS A SNAIL!
BLOOD PHOENIX
MIDDLE-AGED, YET STILL EXQUISITE, SHE WAS AN EVEN GREATER BEAUTY IN HER YOUTH.

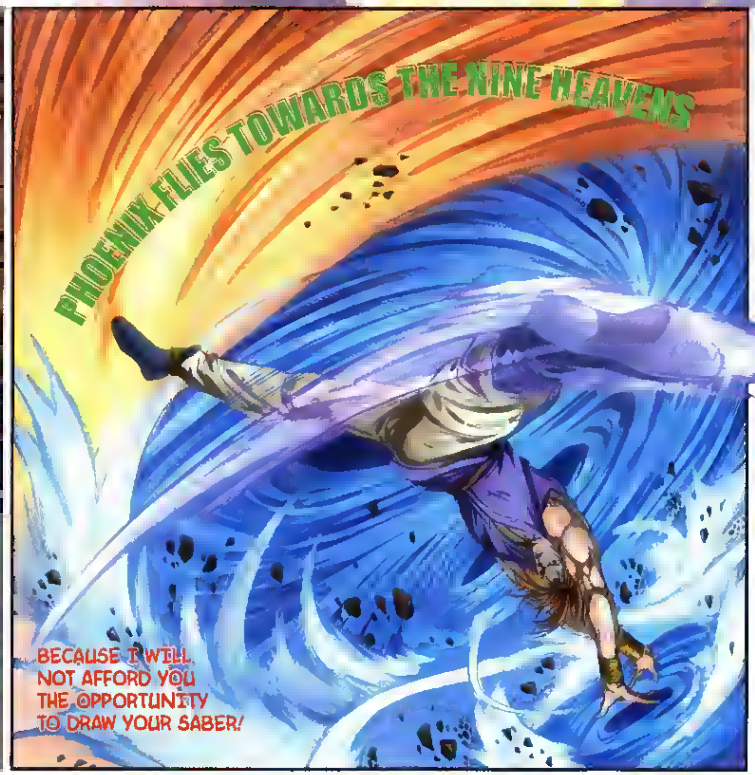

OH, THEY CAN BE MUCH FAST

LIFE SNATCHER THIRTEEN LEG STANCES - SNATCHING WIND
WHOOSH...
WITH SPEED FASTER AND MORE ELUSIVE THAN THE WIND, THE ENEMY CAN NOT PREDICT WHERE THE ATTACK WILL COME FROM...
I'M AFRAID YOU CAN'T HANDLE IT!

HE WAS HOLDING BACK...

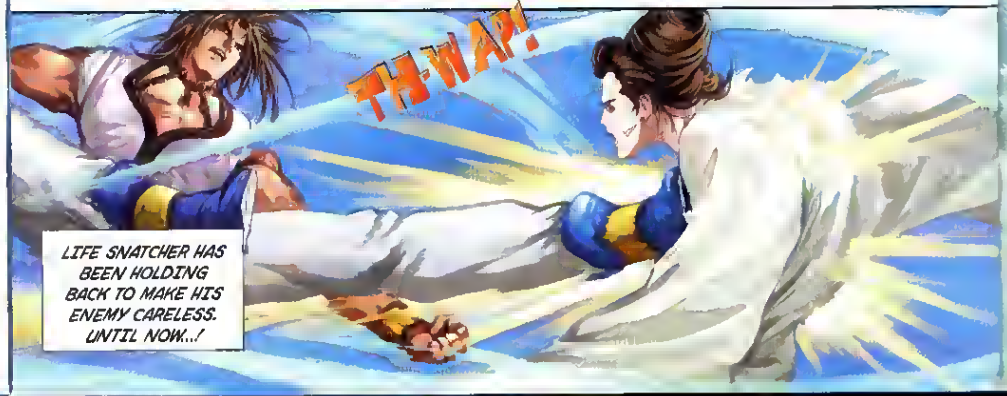

WITH MY EXPERIENCE, I WOULD NEVER FALL FOR YOUR TRICKS!
IF YOU KNOW WHAT'S GOOD FOR YOU, YOU BETTER GIVE UP NOW. ONCE MY SABER IS UNSHEATHED YOU WILL HAVE NO CHANCE TO BEG FOR MERCY!

DON'T BE SO SURE...

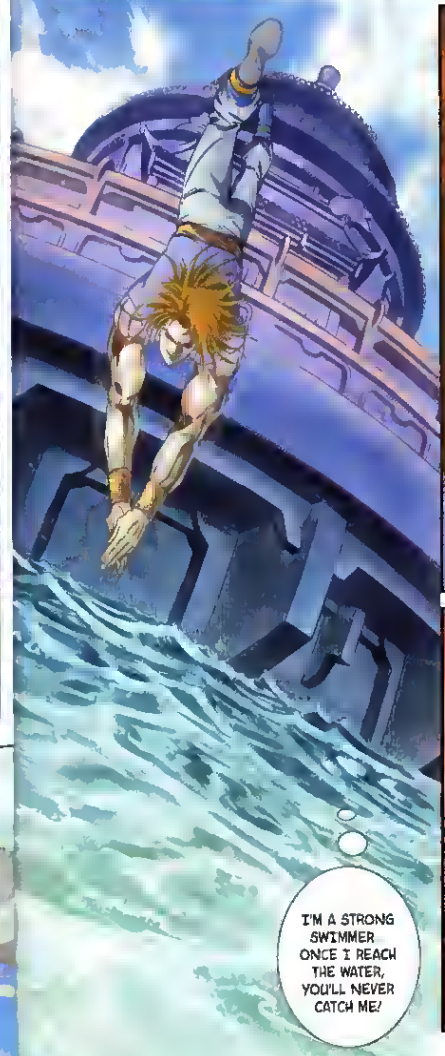

PHOENIX FLIES TOWARDS THE NINE HEAVENS
BECAUSE I WILL NOT AFFORD YOU THE OPPORTUNITY TO DRAW YOUR SABER!

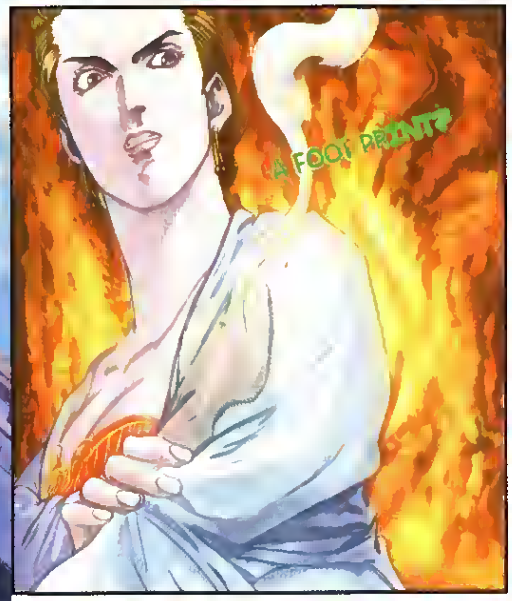
AH, I UNDERESTIMATED HIM...
HEEGSH

I'M USING EVERY OUNCE OF MY STRENGTH ON THIS KICK... THIS IS IT!


TH-WAP!
LIFE SNATCHER HAS BEEN HOLDING BACK TO MAKE HIS ENEMY CARELESS. UNTIL NOW...!

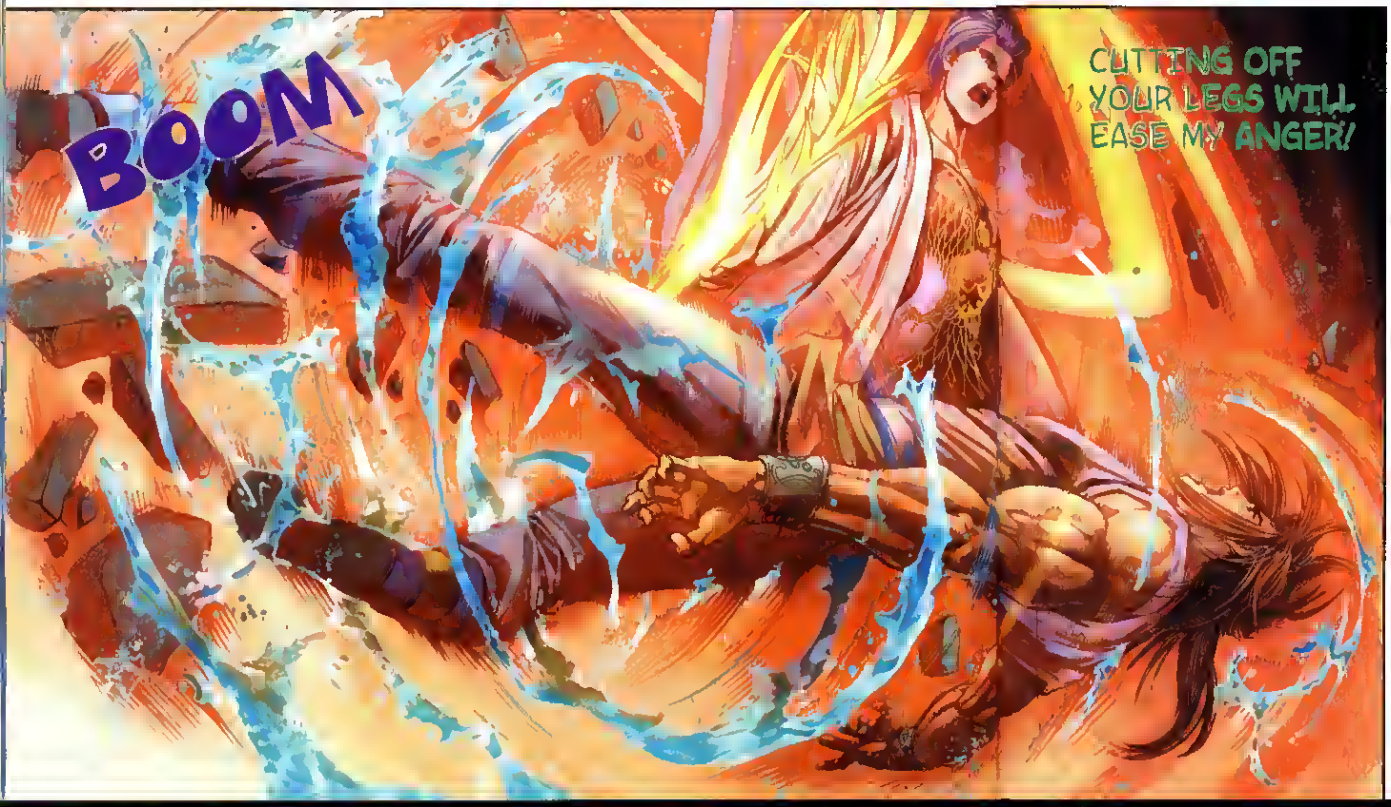
SHOOM
THE STRIKE HITS HOME, BUT LIFE SNATCHER IS WEARY... SO WHILE PHOENIX FALLS IN PAIN, SHE IS NOT SEVERELY INJURED. BESIDES, HIS TRUE INTENT WAS TO CATAPULT HIMSELF OFF INTO THE LAKE...

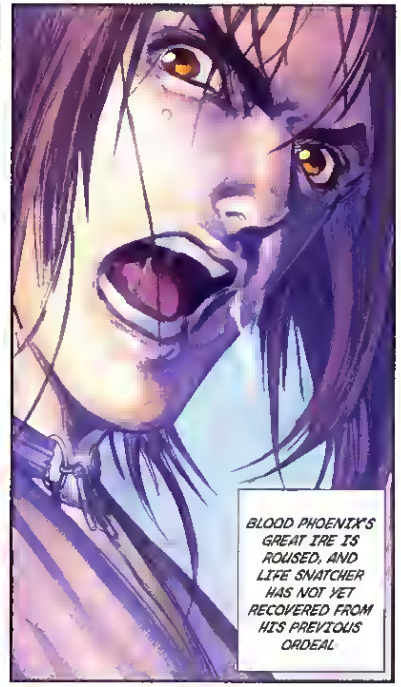

I'M A STRONG SWIMMER ONCE I REACH THE WATER, YOU'LL NEVER CATCH ME!


A FOOT PRINT?

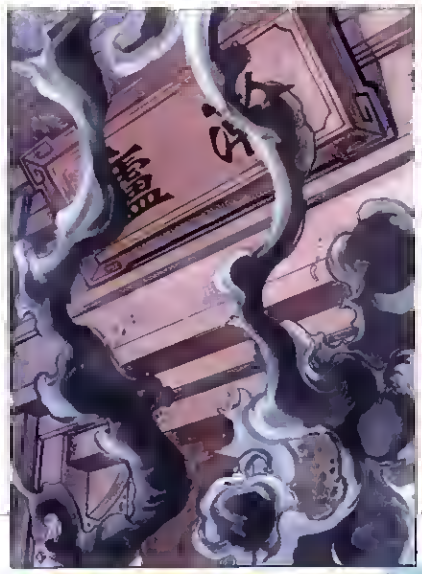
KROOOS..!!
HOW DARE YOU, DAMN CONSTABLE!!

THE GOLDEN SABER IS UNLEASHED! ITS POWER CREATES A GIANT WAVE, FORCING LIFE SNATCHER BACK...
KROOM
HOW DARE YOU DIRTY MY ROBES!


BOOM
CUTTING OFF YOUR LEGS WILL EASE MY ANGER!

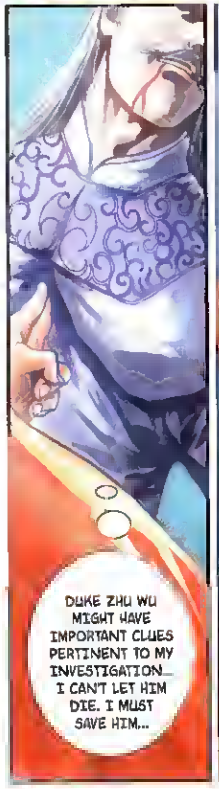

BLOOD PHOENIX'S GREAT IRE IS ROUSED, AND LIFE SNATCHER HAS NOT YET RECOVERED FROM HIS PREVIOUS ORDEAL

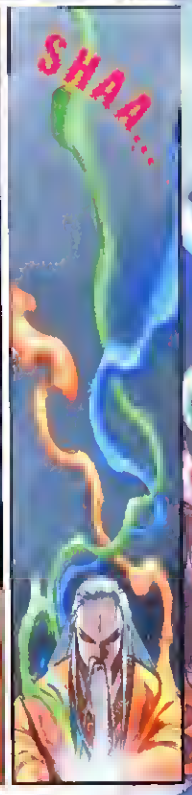
PUH!



MEANWHILE... MASTER ZHUGE DID HIS BEST TO SAVE DUKE ZHU WU, BUT DEATH BECKONS...

ALL OF MASTER ZHUGE'S STRENGTH AND CONCENTRATION IS FOCUSED ON HEALING. IT WOULD BE EASY FOR AN ENEMY TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE SITUATION. SO EMOTIONLESS STANDS GUARD.


DUKE ZHU WU MIGHT HAVE IMPORTANT CLUES PERTINENT TO MY INVESTIGATION... I CAN'T LET HIM DIE. I MUST SAVE HIM...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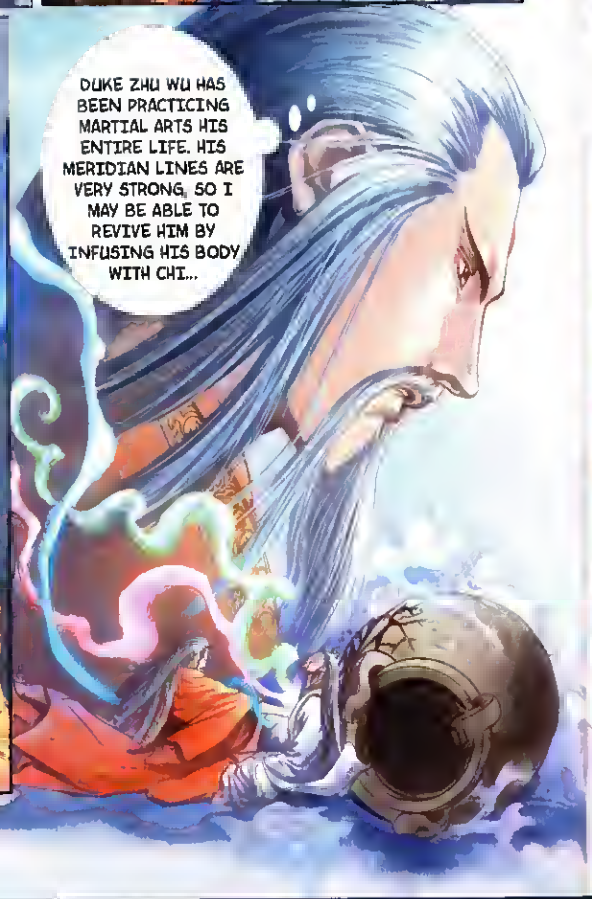
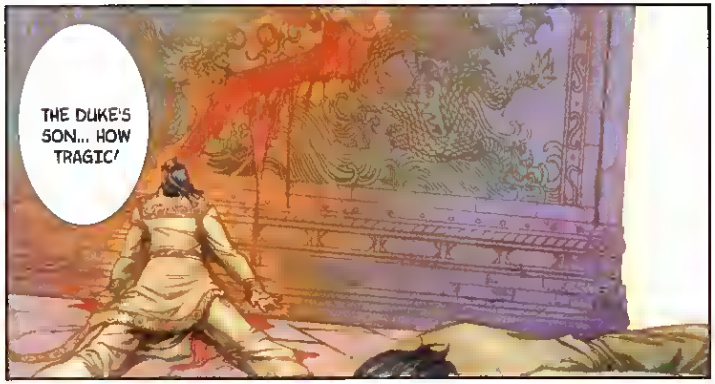
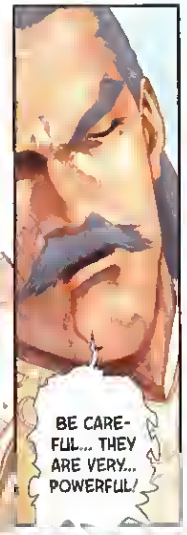

DUKE ZHU WU HAS BEEN PRACTICING MARTIAL ARTS HIS ENTIRE LIFE. HIS MERIDIAN LINES ARE VERY STRONG, SO I MAY BE ABLE TO REVIVE HIM BY INFUSING HIS BODY WITH CHI...

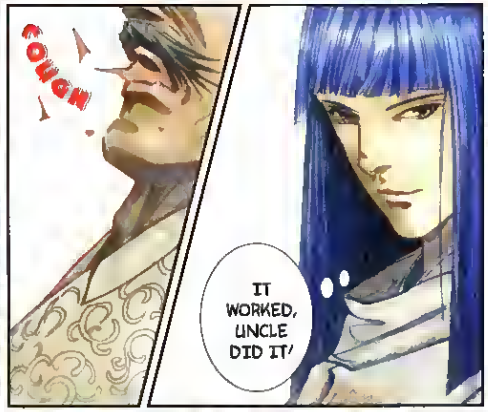
I CAN FEEL NO OTHER LIVING CREATURE HERE BESIDE MYSELF AND UNCLE. LOOKS LIKE THE DUKE'S ENTIRE HOUSEHOLD HAS BEEN KILLED... THOSE 13 CRIMINALS... THEY ARE BEASTS!


THE DUKE'S SON... HOW TRAGIC!

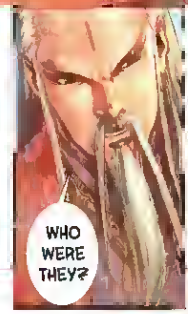
DUKE, YOUR INJURIES ARE SEVERE. I WILL DO MY BEST TO SEE THAT JUSTICE IS SERVED!

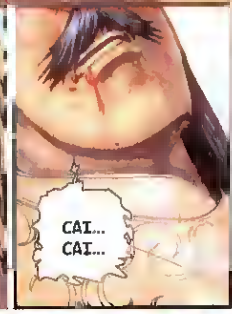

BE CARE-FUL... THEY ARE VERY... POWERFUL!

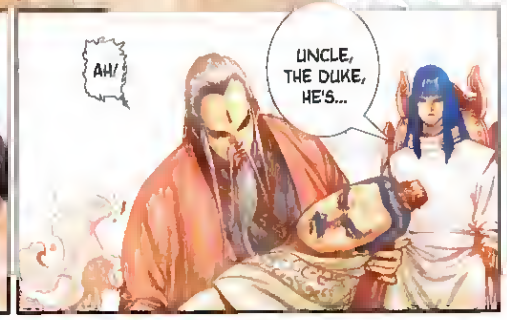
ALTHOUGH WE WEREN'T CLOSE FRIENDS, I RESPECTED HIM NONETHE-LESS.

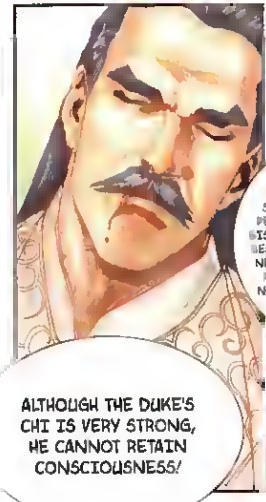

COUGH
IT WORKED, UNCLE DID IT!

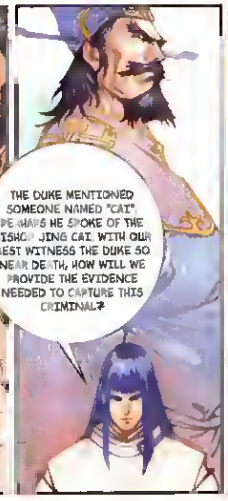
MASTER ZHUGE... PLEASE... AVENGE ME...

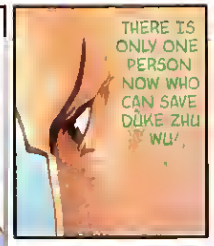

WHO WERE THEY?


CAI... CAI...


AH!
UNCLE, THE DUKE, HE'S...

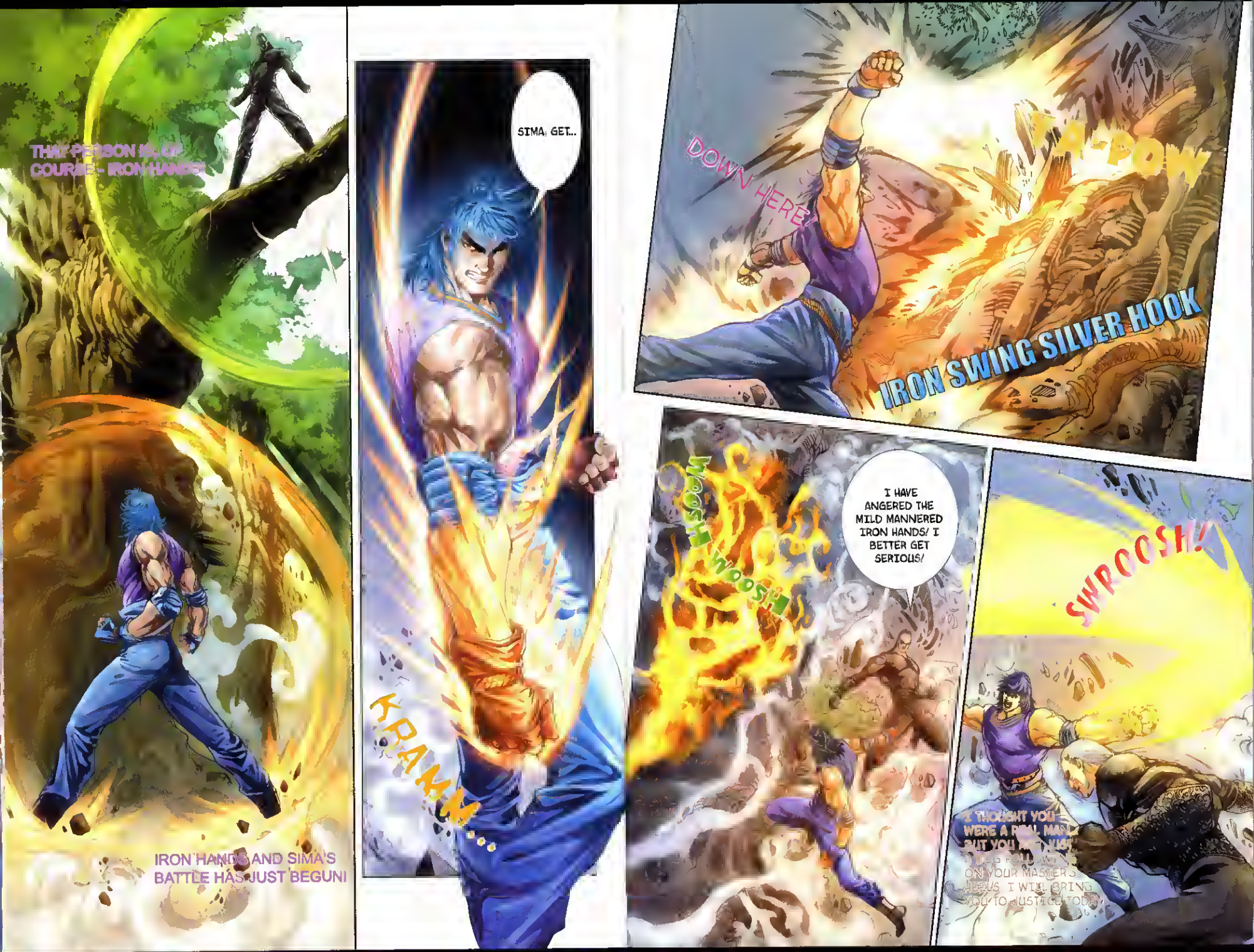

ALTHOUGH THE DUKE'S CHI IS VERY STRONG, HE CANNOT RETAIN CONSCIOUSNESS!


THE DUKE MENTIONED SOMEONE NAMED "CAI". PERHAPS HE SPOKE OF THE BISHOP JING CAI. WITH OUR BEST WITNESS THE DUKE SO NEAR DEATH, HOW WILL WE PROVIDE THE EVIDENCE NEEDED TO CAPTURE THIS CRIMINAL?

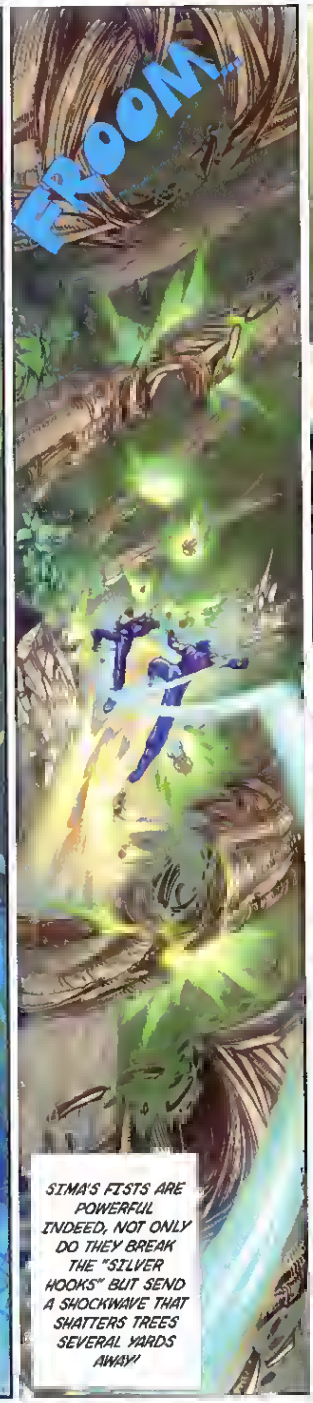

THERE IS ONLY ONE PERSON NOW WHO CAN SAVE DUKE ZHU WU!

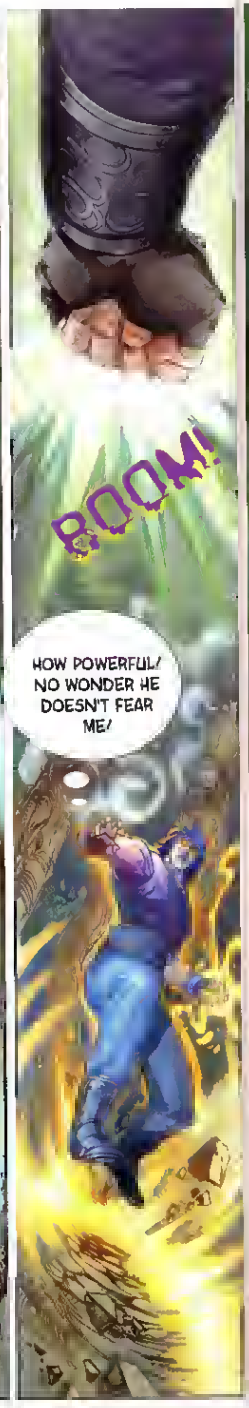
THE IMPERIAL DOCTOR! YES...IF WE UNCLE WE HAVE TO HURRY BACK AND FETCH THE DOCTOR!

BUT THERE IS ANOTHER PERSON WHO NEEDS OUR HELP..


THAT PERSON IS, OF COURSE - IRON HANDS!
IRON HANDS AND SIMA'S BATTLE HAS JUST BEGUN!
SIMA, GET...
KRAMM...
DOWN HERE!
KA-POW
IRON SWING SILVER HOOK
WOOSH
WOOSH
I HAVE ANGERED THE MILD MANNERED IRON HANDS/ I BETTER GET SERIOUS/
SWOOSH!
I THOUGHT YOU
ON YOUR MASTER'S
YOU TO JUSTICE TODAY!

A BIG CLAIM, BUT CAN YOU DELIVER!
KRAKK!


FROOM...
SIMA'S FISTS ARE POWERFUL INDEED, NOT ONLY DO THEY BREAK THE "SILVER HOOKS" BUT SEND A SHOCKWAVE THAT SHATTERS TREES SEVERAL YARDS AWAY!

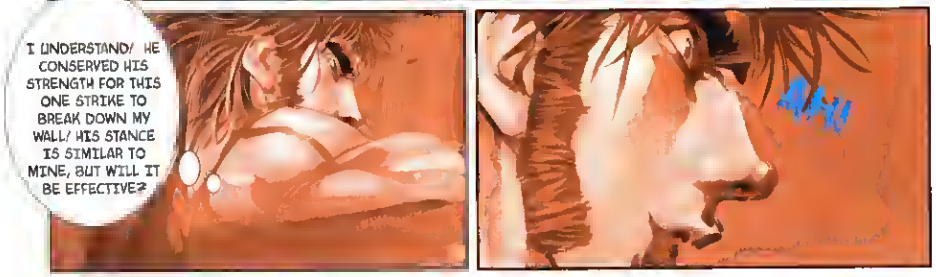

BOOM!
HOW POWERFUL! NO WONDER HE DOESN'T FEAR ME!

FROM HANDS, IS THAT ALL YOU'VE GOT?
SUMO SLAM! SWAAA...

DON'T BE SO SURE!

I STILL DON'T KNOW THE LIMIT OF HIS POWER. I CAN'T JUST DEFEND, I MUST STRIKE BACK!
GREAT! YOUR DEFENSE IS INCREDIBLE YOU DESERVE TO SEE MY ULTIMATE STYLE! COME!
I WILL SHOW YOU THE JOY OF MY DEATH FIST!
DEATH FIST THIRD STANCE SMALL REST
CHA
WHAM...
WHAT? THAT POWERFUL KILLING FORCE JUST COMPLETELY DISAPPEARED. IT'S BEEN REPLACED BY A MYSTERIOUS SILENCE... STRANGE!
SIMA LASHES OUT AGAIN AND AGAIN. LIKE A TIDAL WAVE. BUT IS UNABLE TO PENETRATE THE WALL OF CHI.
SHING SHING
BARE WALL IRON FENCE
BOOM...
BARE HANDS POWER FIST 2ND STANCE
PENG PENG...
IRON HANDS STRUCK OUT WITH A SINGLE PALM, A STREAM OF RED SHOT FORTH AND BLOCKED SIMA'S STRIKE OUTSIDE A WALL OF CHI. THIS PALM STRIKE DELIVERS EXPLOSIVE AMOUNTS OF CHI IN AN INSTANT. IT CAN BE VERY HARMFUL IF DONE BY THE UNPRACTICED, BUT IRON HANDS EASILY WIELDS IT. HE IS VERY POWERFUL INDEED!

SHOOM


I UNDERSTAND/ HE CONSERVED HIS STRENGTH FOR THIS ONE STRIKE TO BREAK DOWN MY WALL/ HIS STANCE IS SIMILAR TO MINE, BUT WILL IT BE EFFECTIVE?
AHH

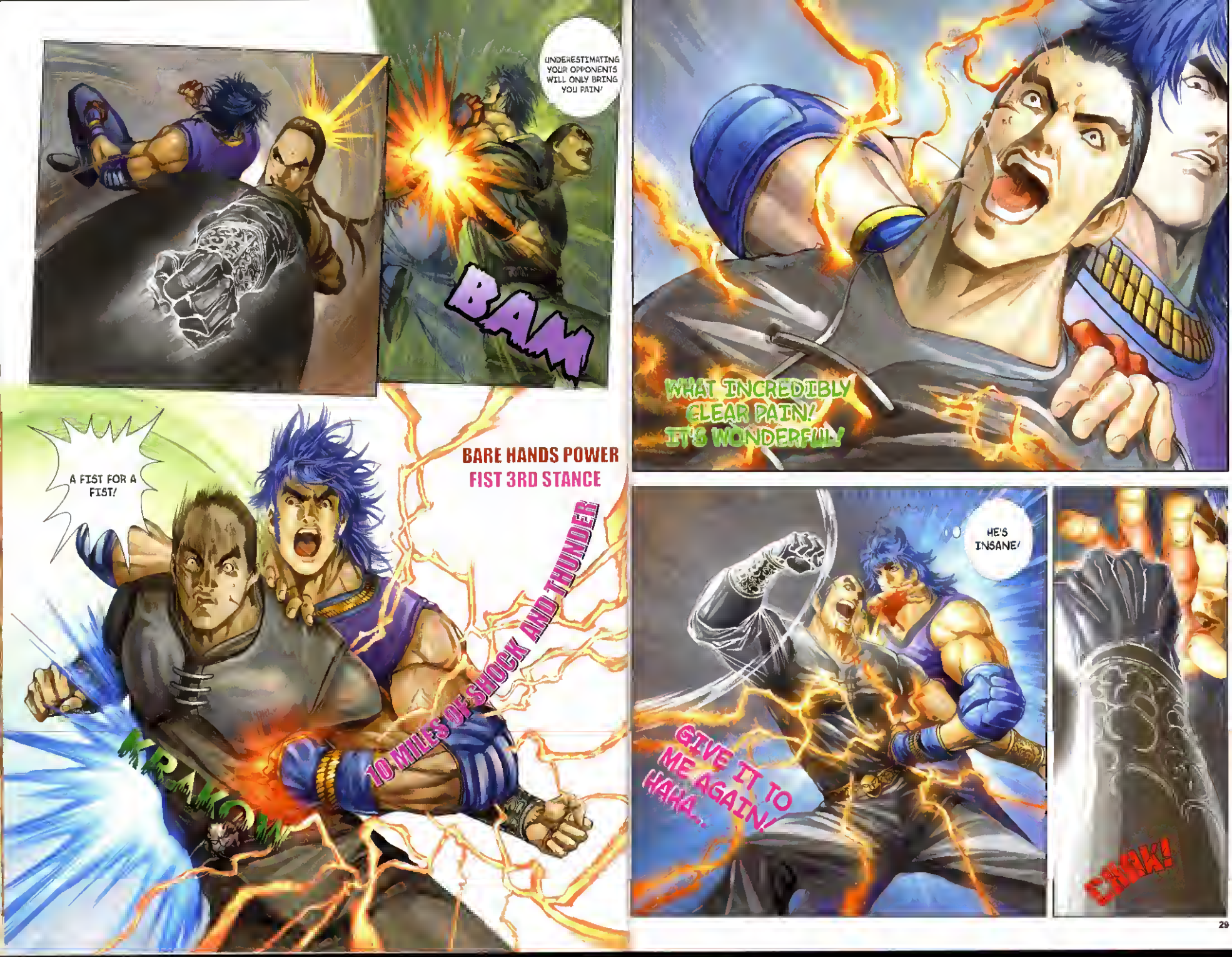
KA-TAM
CRACK!
SIMA'S STRENGTH PREVAILS.

THUD
CRASH

MY STRIKING POINT BURNS... LOOKS LIKE I DIDN'T DO HIM SERIOUS HARM/

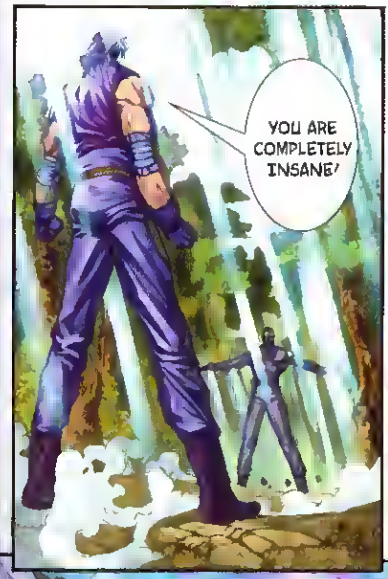
WAH

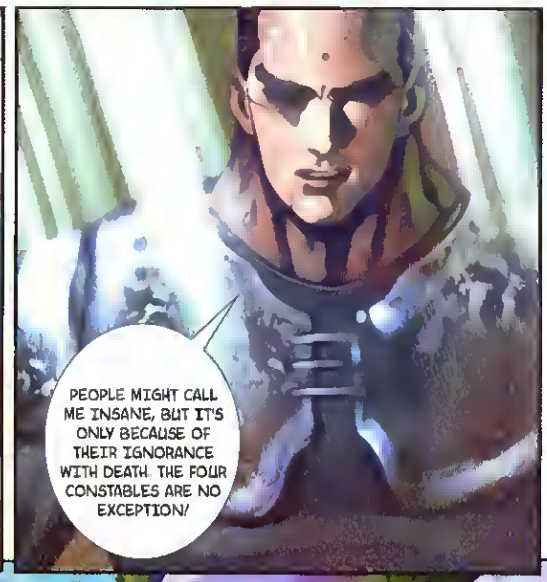
HE'S COMPLETELY UNAFFECTED. IRON HANDS IS AS MIGHTY AS THE RUMORS SAY. WITH HIS CHI BEING THE MOST POWERFUL OF THE FOUR CONSTABLES.


UNDERESTIMATING YOUR OPPONENTS WILL ONLY BRING YOU PAIN!
BAM
WHAT INCREDIBLY CLEAR PAIN! IT'S WONDERFUL!
A FIST FOR A FIST!
BARE HANDS POWER
FIST 3RD STANCE
10 MILES OF SHOCK AND THUNDER
KRAKOW
HE'S INSANE!
GIVE IT TO ME AGAIN! HAHA...
CHAK!

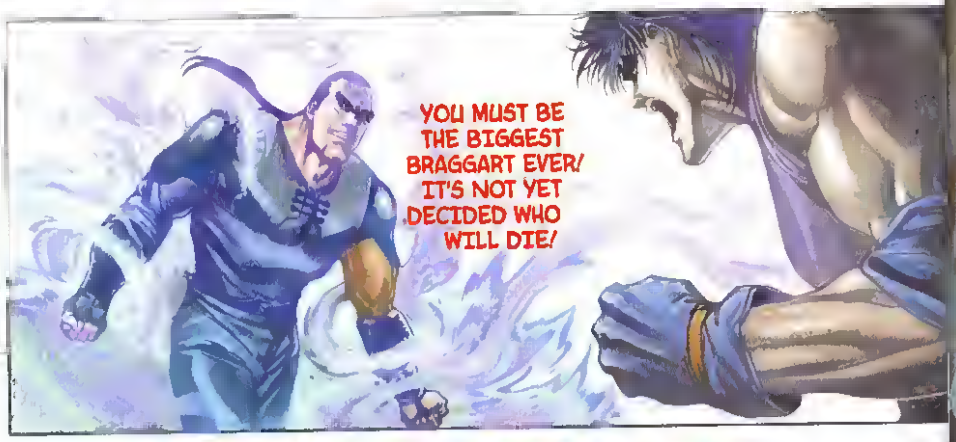
LUCKILY, IRON HANDS PULLED BACK IN TIME, ABSORBING HALF OF THE KINETIC ENERGY OF THE ATTACK OTHERWISE HE WOULD HAVE DIED ON THE SPOT!
AH
DAMN... SIMA'S CRAZY, HIS INTENTIONS ARE A MYSTERY TO ME! IS HE REALLY INSANE?!
I AM DISAPPOINTED; YOU ARE VERY STRONG, BUT NOT GOOD ENOUGH FOR ME... I WAS SO HAPPY TO HAVE MET YOU. HOW REGRETTABLE!
SIMA, WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
YOU'RE JUST AN ORDINARY MORTAL, OF COURSE YOU WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND. YOU WOULDN'T BELIEVE IT, BUT I HAD HOPED THAT I WOULD NOT BE THE WINNER OF THIS FIGHT.
I HOPED THAT IT WOULD BE YOU!
I DEEPLY WANTED YOUR ABILITY TO FAR EXCEED MY EXPECTATIONS. I HOPED THAT YOU WOULD NOT ONLY DEFEAT ME, BUT GIVE ME A MOST GLORIOUS AND MOST PAINFULL DEATH!

BECAUSE A TRAGIC AND GLORIOUS DEATH IS WHAT I HAVE BEEN SEEKING!


YOU ARE COMPLETELY INSANE!


PEOPLE MIGHT CALL ME INSANE, BUT IT'S ONLY BECAUSE OF THEIR IGNORANCE WITH DEATH. THE FOUR CONSTABLES ARE NO EXCEPTION!

SSHOORSH
FORGET IT. IT'S USELESS TO EXPLAIN. SINCE YOU DON'T HAVE WHAT IT TAKES TO DEFEAT ME, YOU ARE WASTING MY TIME, I MUST KILL YOU QUICKLY!


YOU MUST BE THE BIGGEST BRAGGART EVER/ IT'S NOT YET DECIDED WHO WILL DIE/

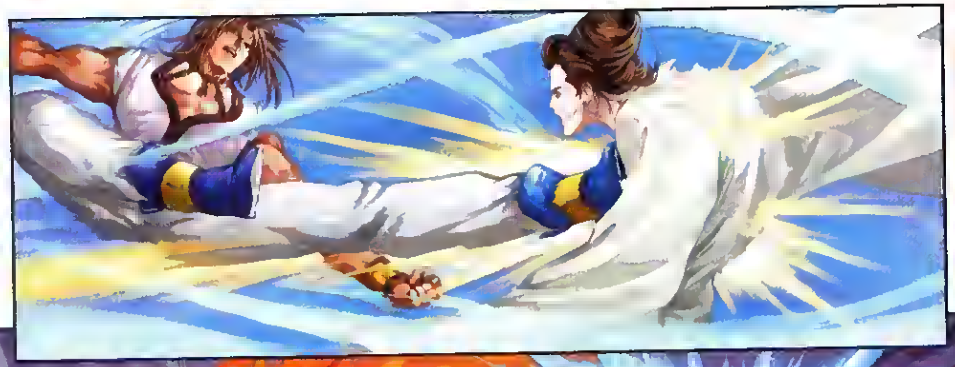
CHUK!

CHUK!
CHUK!

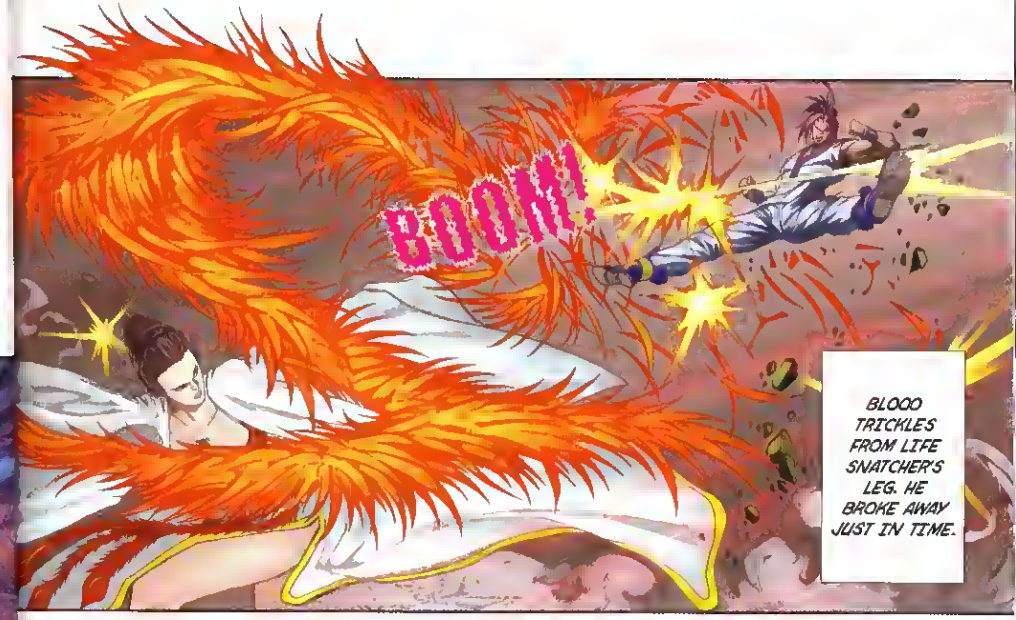
SWRRR

GOOD ALWAYS TRIUMPHS OVER EVIL. THOSE WHO DO EVIL DESERVE TO DIE!
SHOOM
WROOSH

LEADER OF THE
FOUR CONSTABLES --
EMOTIONLESS
LIKE TODAY!
EMOTIONLESS & IRON HANDS VS. SIMA



YAaaa
THE GOLO SABER IS QUICK LIKE LIGHTENING LIFE SNATCHER HAS NO TIME TO DODGE. SO HE PUTS ALL HIS STRENGTH INTO HIS LEGS TO REPEL THE ATTACK!


BOOM!
BLOOD TRICKLES FROM LIFE SNATCHER'S LEG. HE BROKE AWAY JUST IN TIME.

LIFE SNATCHER'S LEGS ARE LEGENDARY AND ALTHOUGH NOT AS IMPREGNABLE AS IRON HANDS' ARMS, THEY ARE STILL NEARLY INVULNERABLE.
YOU CAN STILL FIGHT BACK IN YOUR CONDITION? PRETTY GOOD, CONSTABLE!
WHAT QUICK BLADES, IT MIGHT EVEN BE AS FAST AS FOURTH BROTHER'S!

IF YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT SPEED, EVEN HOSAN SHOULD HAVE TO CONCEDE TO ME. YOU WANT TO ESCAPE MY ATTACKS WITH YOUR LIGHTFOOT? FORGET IT!
CONCEALED SPACE BLADES
SHOCKING RED ONE STRIKE
LIFE SNATCHER HASN'T EVEN LANDED.. BLOOD PHOENIX STRIKES TOWARDS THE EXACT SAME POINT! WHAT INCREDIBLE ACCURACY!
OH NO... THE SAME SPOT! I'M GONNA LOSE MY LEG!
SHEEEE
BOOM...

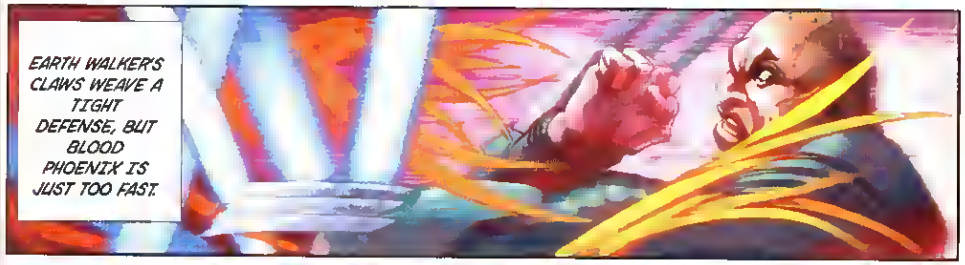
RETURNING SPIRIT MOON CHASING BLADES?
CHANG CHANG...
LIUPING LEN, WHY ARE YOU INTERFERING IN MY BUSINESS?
THE BOSS HAS ORDERED, BEFORE WE TAKE CARE OF THE FINAL TARGET, THE CONSTABLES MUST REMAIN ALIVE HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN THIS?
ZAOW!
ANOTHER POWERFUL OPPONENT.. I KEPT MY LEGS, BUT IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE I CAN ESCAPE I'LL JUST HAVE TO WAIT AND SEE WHAT HAPPENS

WHO SAID I WAS GOING TO KILL HIM? HE IS EXTREMELY TRICKY, SO I WAS JUST GOING TO CUT OFF HIS LEGS SO HE COULDN'T ESCAPE/
HE IS ALREADY HURT, YOU THINK HE WOULD SURVIVE SUCH DAMAGE? IF YOU REALLY WANT TO KILL HIM, YOU HAVE TO GO THROUGH ME FIRST/
HA... FINE/
OLD MAN LEN'S WORDS ARE FALSE ...IF SISTER DU WANTS TO KILL THAT CONSTABLE, SHE HAS TO GO THROUGH MORE THAN ONE PERSON/ HEHE...

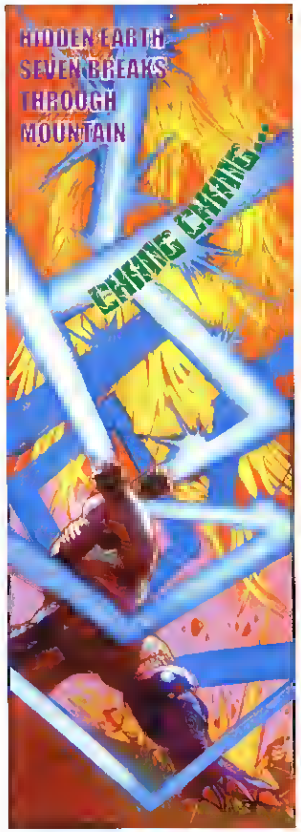
DON'T YOU FORGET, ALTHOUGH I MAY NOT SHOW MYSELF TOO OFTEN, I AM STILL BOSS SIMA'S MOST LOYAL SERVANT/ WHOEVER DARES TO GO AGAINST HIS WISHES WILL HAVE TO DEAL WITH ME/
SISTER DU, UNLESS YOU'RE WILLING TO FIGHT US AS WELL, YOU BETTER STOP OH, YOU SMELL SO GOOD/
EARTH WALKER BUGONG SUN?
SHO...
WOW, THERE ARE BLADES ON THERE/ LUCKILY I ALREADY PREPARED FOR THAT...
BUT I WOULD BE HAPPY TO DIE IN YOUR SEXY HANDS. IF YOU WOULD GRANT ME JUST ONE KISS, I WOULD WILLINGLY DIE FOR YOU/ HEHE...
AH... SO YOU FAVOR BRIGHT RED UNDERGARMENTS-- VERY SEXY/ I LOVE IT/

CONCEALED SPACE BLADES
CHURNING SPIRIT RAIN??
YOU DESERVE TO DIE FOR YOUR FOUL MOUTH!

ARE YOU SERIOUS!


EARTH WALKER'S CLAWS WEAVE A TIGHT DEFENSE, BUT BLOOD PHOENIX IS JUST TOO FAST.

YOU DISGUSTING PERVERT, I WILL RIP YOUR MOUTH OPEN!
SHE'S REALLY PISSED; I DON'T WANT TO PLAY ANYMORE. I BETTER SAVE MYSELF...
PTOO!


HIDDEN EARTH SEVEN BREAKS THROUGH MOUNTAIN
CHONG CHONG...

SILVER CLAWS AND METAL ARMOR, BUT LECHEROUS... THIS DWARF MUST BE A GRANDSON OF THE NOTORIOUS SERIAL RAPIST FROM THE SOUTH!
I'VE HEARD THAT HE ALWAYS WORKS ALONE. HE ONLY HAS WOMEN ON HIS MIND, AND ALTHOUGH HE HAS BEEN COMMITTING CRIMES FOR OVER TEN YEARS, HE'S NEVER STOLEN A SINGLE PENNY...
WHY WOULD SOMEONE WHO DOES NOT COVET MONEY OR POWER JOIN THE 13 MASKED MEN?

AH!
THIS EARTH WALKER GUY SEEMS STRANGE, BUT CLEVER.
PTOO!
PTOO!
PTOO!

YOU WIN SOME, YOU LOSE SOME. IF YOU DON'T COME TO THE DEN OF YOUR ENEMIES, HOW WILL YOU FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THEM? IF I ESCAPE THIS PLACE, WHAT I'VE LEARNED HERE WILL BE VALUABLE
AH! TRYING TO SCARE ME TO DEATH?
BLOOD PHOENIX IS RIGHT: YOU ARE A SLY ONE, CONSTABLE. ONE SLIP AND YOU REALLY MIGHT ESCAPE!
GO TO SLEEP!
PA!

FAINTING AGAIN...
THUMP!

EMOTIONLESS, I WILL KEEP LIFE SNATCHER ALIVE A FEW DAYS LONGER. THIS IS PAYBACK FOR YOU SPARING ME FROM HENCE FORTH WE OWE EACH OTHER NOTHING NEXT TIME I SEE YOU... I WON'T HAVE ANY REASON TO HOLD BACK!

BRONZE MASK AND EMOTIONLESS... ONLY ONE OF US CAN SURVIVE!

EMOTIONLESS?! I CAN BATTLE TWO OF THE FAMOUS CONSTABLES AT ONCE! THIS IS A FANTASTIC OPPORTUNITY, HAHA!

SIMA, I CHALLENGE YOU AGAIN!
SHOOM!

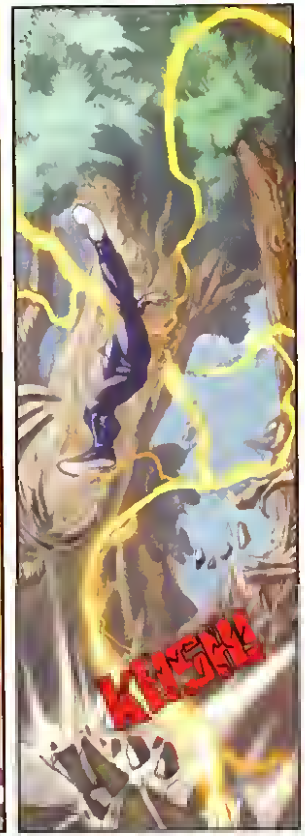
CHA-BAMM!
10 MILES OF SHOCK AND THUNDER

I WELCOME IT!
YA
DEATH FIST THREE STANCE
SMALL REST

DON'T BE TOO SURE! BREAK!
FOOM

WITH A DEFT TURN, THE HIDDEN WEAPONS LODGED IN SIMA'S BODY BEGIN TO BURROW AND DRILL INTO HIS FLESH...
AH!
IZING

...LEAVING HIM OPEN TO IRON HANDS' INCOMING STRIKE!
SHOOM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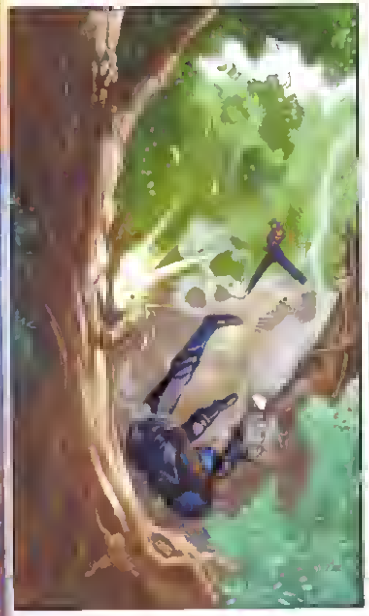
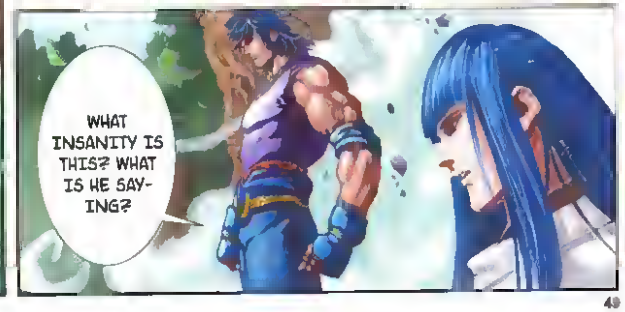
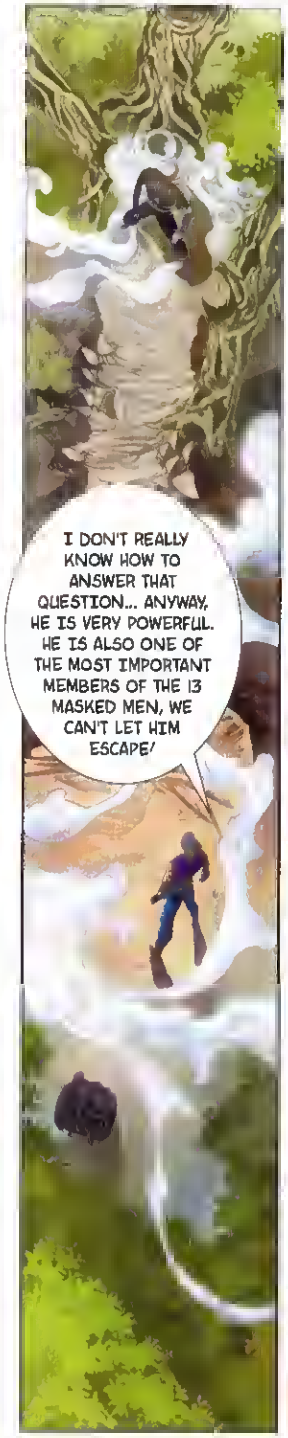
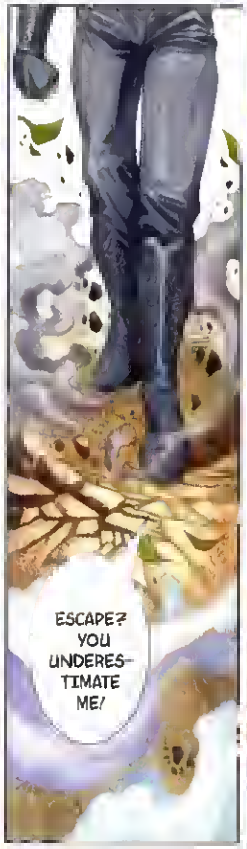


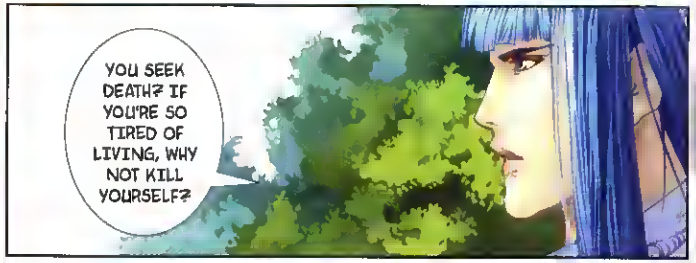
THE HEAD CONSTABLE COMES JUST IN TIME. NOW I FEEL HOPEFUL. THE TWO CONSTABLES TOGETHER SHOULD BE ABLE TO OFFER ME AN EXCITING DEATH!


WHAT INSANITY IS THIS? WHAT IS HE SAYING?


I DON'T REALLY KNOW HOW TO ANSWER THAT QUESTION... ANYWAY, HE IS VERY POWERFUL. HE IS ALSO ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT MEMBERS OF THE 13 MASKED MEN, WE CAN'T LET HIM ESCAPE!


ESCAPE? YOU UNDERESTIMATE ME!

IF I LEAVE TODAY, IT WILL BE ONLY BECAUSE I HAVE KILLED YOU BOTH!

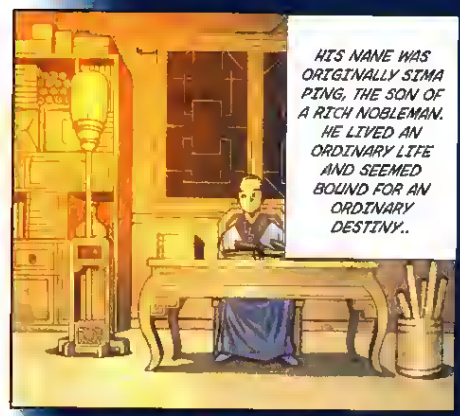

YOU SEEK DEATH? IF YOU'RE SO TIRED OF LIVING, WHY NOT KILL YOURSELF?

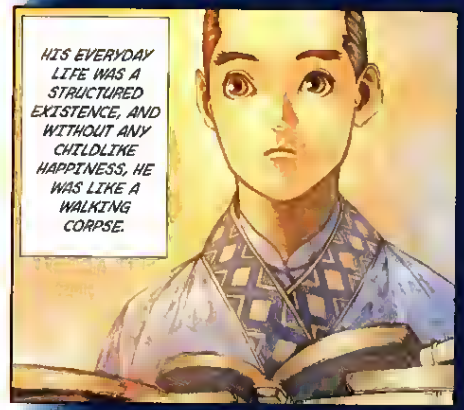
YOU ARE KNOWN AS THE WISEST OF THE FOUR CONSTABLES, HOW CAN YOU ASK SUCH AN INEPT QUESTION?

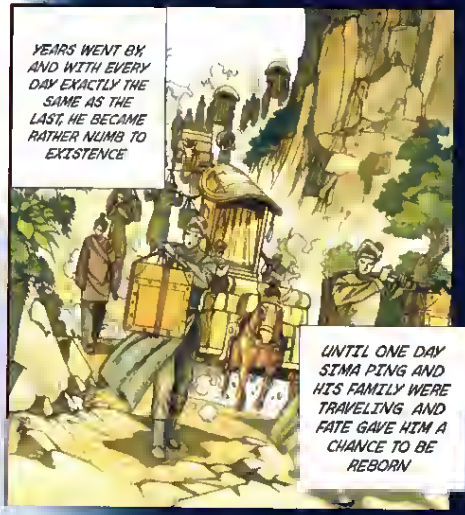
LIFE AND DEATH ARE TWO COMPLETELY DIFFERENT THINGS. I SEEK A GLORIOUS DEATH, BUT IT DOESN'T MEAN THAT I'M TIRED OF LIVING/ DO NOT MISTAKE THE TWO...
WHEN HE SPEAKS OF "DEATH", SIMA BECOMES EXTREMELY SERIOUS. IRON HANDS AND EMOTIONLESS HAVE DEALT WITH COUNTLESS CRIMINAL MINDS, BUT FIND SIMA IMPOSSIBLE TO FULLY UNDERSTAND.

YOUR QUESTION JUST PROVES THE PREJUDICE PEOPLE HOLD TOWARDS DEATH!
LET ME TELL YOU, DEATH IS NOT AT ALL FRIGHTENING IT IS NOT THE END OF LIFE, RATHER A SEPARATION OF BODY AND SOUL, FREEING THE SPIRIT TO ASCEND TO A NEW PLANE AND BEGIN ANEW!
SINCE THE FIRST TIME I TOUCHED DEATH, I WAS DEEPLY MOVED BY ITS SPIRITUALITY. FROM THAT INSTANT, I FOUND THAT LIVING WAS SUCH A TREMENDOUS, EXCITING EXPERIENCE!
WITH "IT", MY LIFE IS NO LONGER DULL, IT IS FILLED WITH LIGHT AND LUSTER!

SIMA HUANGFEN

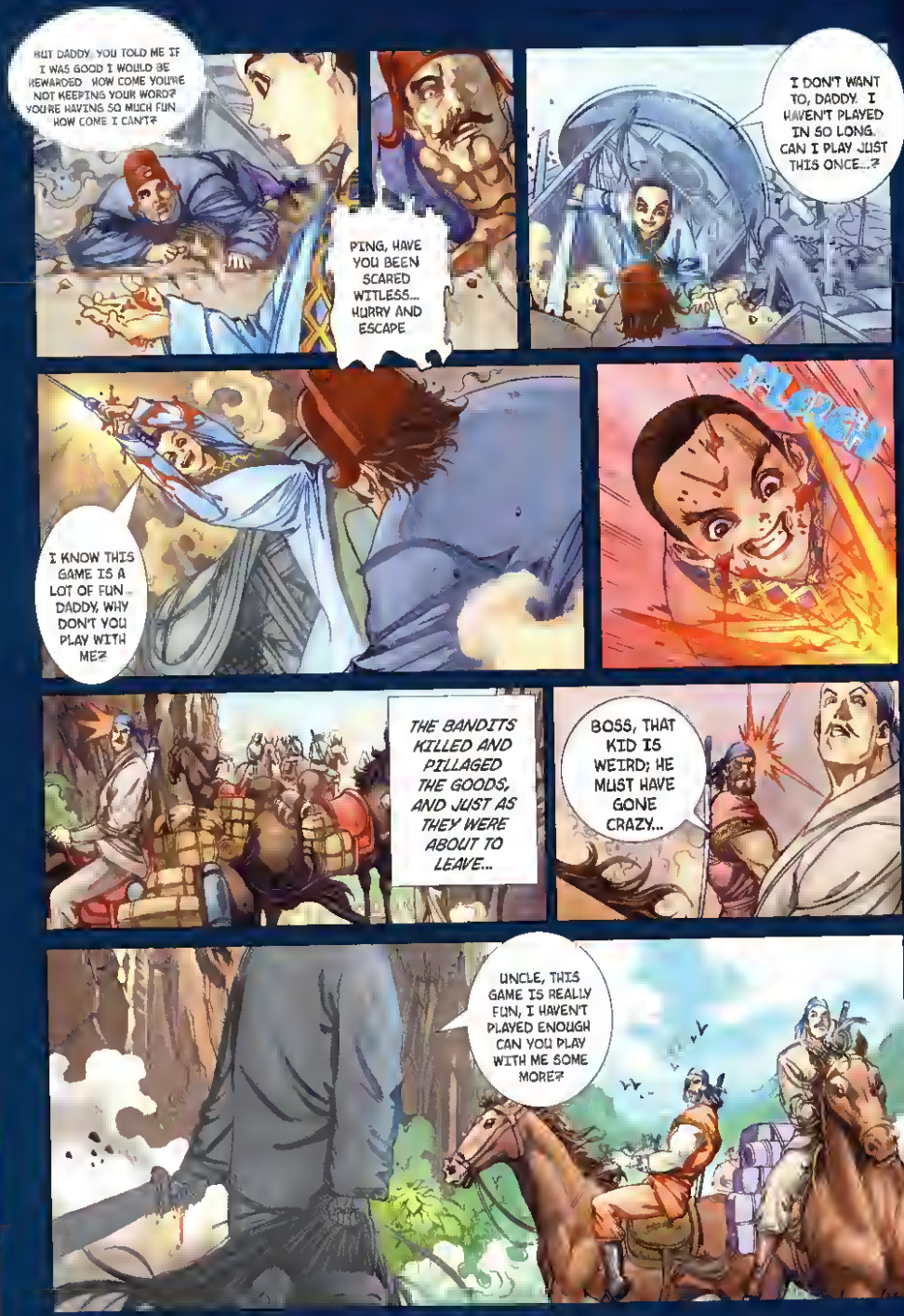

HIS NANE WAS ORIGINALLY SIMA PING, THE SON OF A RICH NOBLEMAN. HE LIVED AN ORDINARY LIFE AND SEEMED BOUND FOR AN ORDINARY DESTINY..

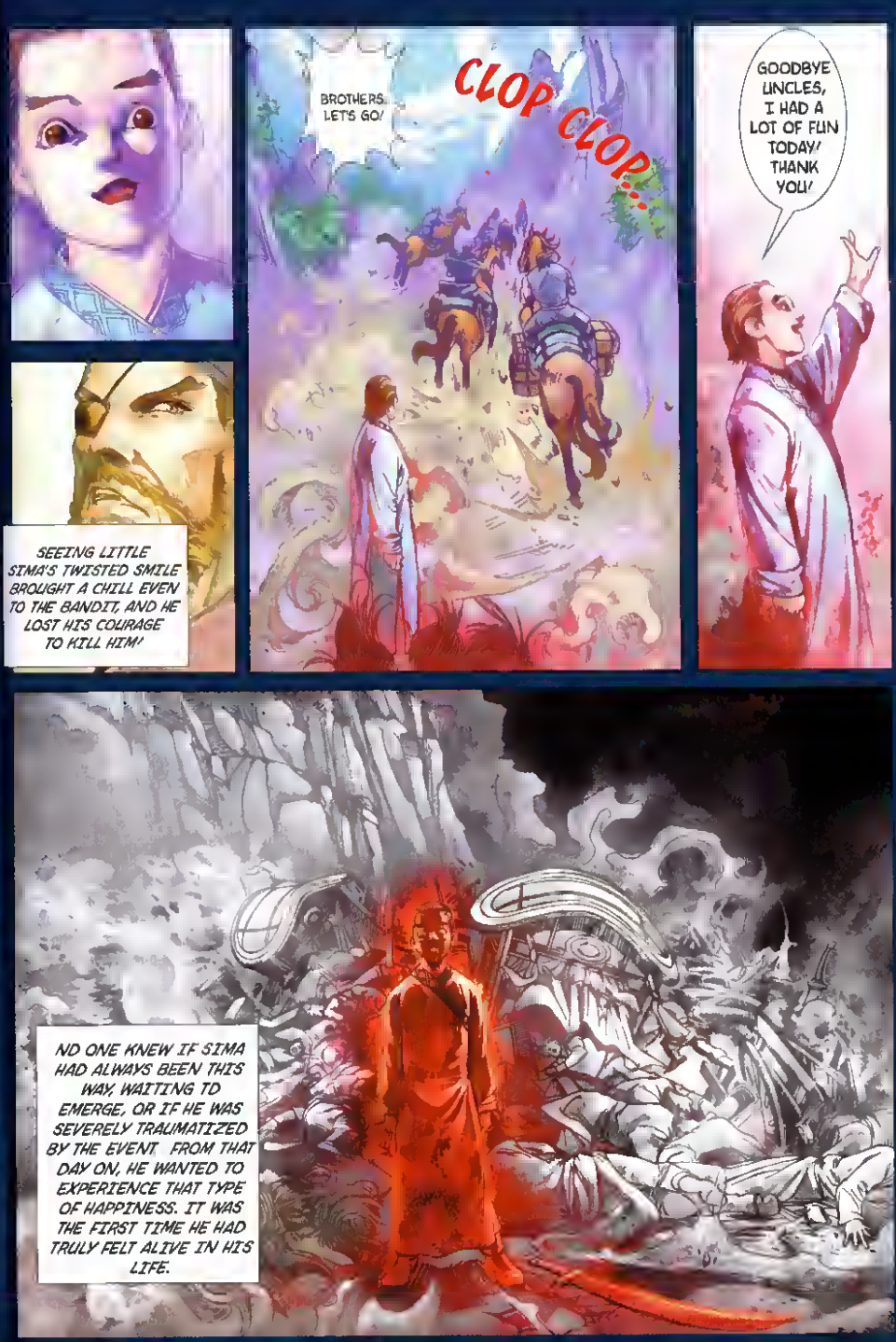



YEARS WENT BY, AND WITH EVERY DAY EXACTLY THE SAME AS THE LAST, HE BECAME RATHER NUMB TO EXISTENCE
UNTIL ONE DAY SIMA PING AND HIS FAMILY WERE TRAVELING AND FATE GAVE HIM A CHANCE TO BE REBORN

CLOP CLOP!
CLOP CLOP!
THEY WERE ATTACKED BY BANDITS!

LUB-DUB!
LUB-DUB!
LUB-DUB!
A BLOODY, STILL-BEATING HEART, CHANGED SIMA PING'S LIFE FOREVER!
ARRGH!
AH!!
RED... AND MOVING, HOW PRETTY, HOW CUTE!
HEHE... SO THAT'S WHAT IT SOUNDS LIKE WHEN A KNIFE CUTS INTO A BODY! IT SOUNDS SO BEAUTIFUL!
EVERYONE IS MAKING SO MUCH NOISE. THEY MUST BE HAVING A LOT OF FUN! THEY MUST BE PLAYING A REALLY FUN GAME! I WANT TO PLAY!
PING... MY SON... RUN...

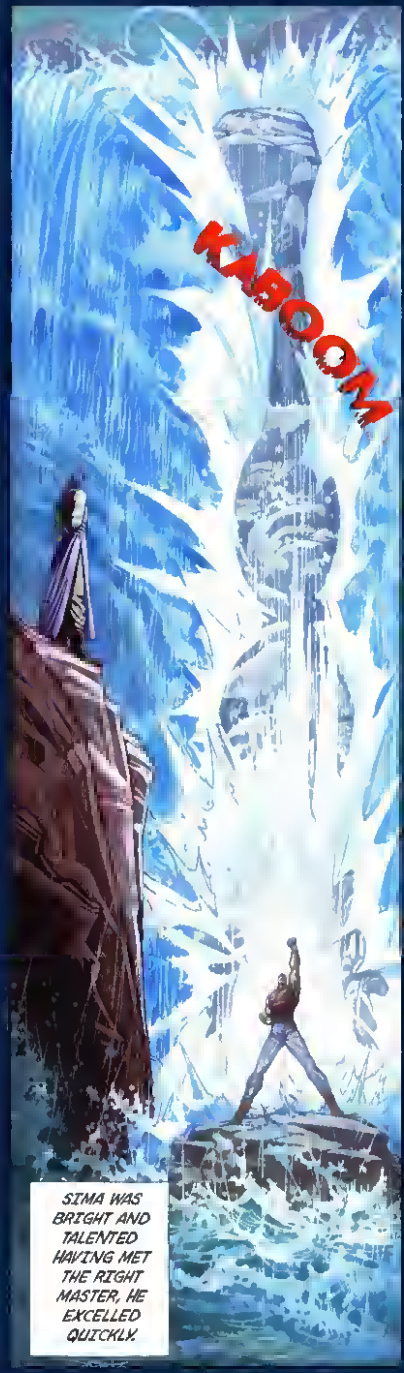

BUT DADDY, YOU TOLD ME IF I WAS GOOD I WOULD BE REWARDED. HOW COME YOU'RE NOT KEEPING YOUR WORD? YOU'RE HAVING SO MUCH FUN. HOW COME I CAN'T?
PING, HAVE YOU BEEN SCARED WITLESS... HURRY AND ESCAPE
I DON'T WANT TO, DADDY. I HAVEN'T PLAYED IN SO LONG. CAN I PLAY JUST THIS ONCE...?
I KNOW THIS GAME IS A LOT OF FUN... DADDY, WHY DON'T YOU PLAY WITH ME?
SPLAT!
THE BANDITS KILLED AND PILLAGED THE GOODS, AND JUST AS THEY WERE ABOUT TO LEAVE...
BOSS, THAT KID IS WEIRD; HE MUST HAVE GONE CRAZY...
UNCLE, THIS GAME IS REALLY FUN, I HAVEN'T PLAYED ENOUGH. CAN YOU PLAY WITH ME SOME MORE?

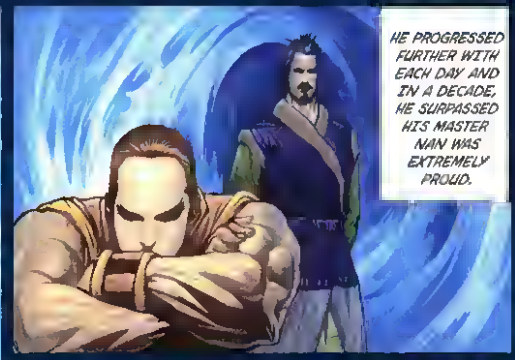

BROTHERS, LET'S GO!
CLOP CLOP...
GOODBYE UNCLES, I HAD A LOT OF FUN TODAY! THANK YOU!
SEEING LITTLE SIMA'S TWISTED SMILE BROUGHT A CHILL EVEN TO THE BANDIT, AND HE LOST HIS COURAGE TO KILL HIM!
NO ONE KNEW IF SIMA HAD ALWAYS BEEN THIS WAY, WAITING TO EMERGE, OR IF HE WAS SEVERELY TRAUMATIZED BY THE EVENT. FROM THAT DAY ON, HE WANTED TO EXPERIENCE THAT TYPE OF HAPPINESS. IT WAS THE FIRST TIME HE HAD TRULY FELT ALIVE IN HIS LIFE.

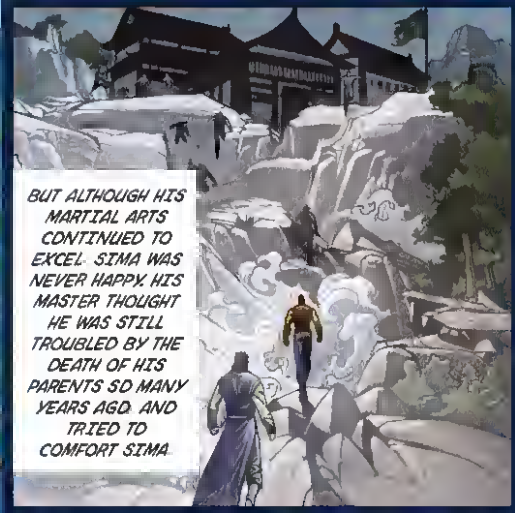
FATE SEEMED TO HAVE SOMETHING SPECIAL PLANNED FOR HIM...
SHORTLY AFTER THE BANDITS LEFT, SIMA MET A TRAVELING MARTIAL ARTIST

TAIDOU NAN
TAIDOU NAN WAS A HERMIT...

FOR SOME REASON, HE FELT SORRY FOR THE POOR BOY.
HE TOOK SIMA BACK TO HIS HOME, MADE HIM A STUDENT AND TAUGHT HIM ALL HIS KUNG FU.


KABOOM
SIMA WAS BRIGHT AND TALENTED HAVING MET THE RIGHT MASTER, HE EXCELLED QUICKLY.


HE PROGRESSED FURTHER WITH EACH DAY AND IN A DECADE, HE SURPASSED HIS MASTER NAN WAS EXTREMELY PROUD.


BUT ALTHOUGH HIS MARTIAL ARTS CONTINUED TO EXCEL, SIMA WAS NEVER HAPPY. HIS MASTER THOUGHT HE WAS STILL TROUBLED BY THE DEATH OF HIS PARENTS SO MANY YEARS AGO, AND TRIED TO COMFORT SIMA.

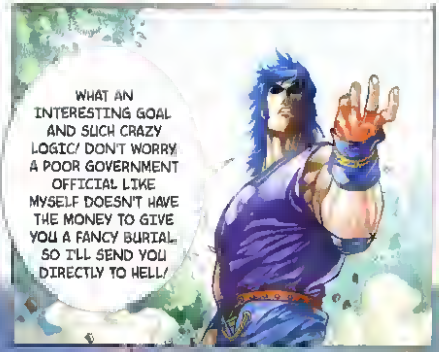
TO HELP UNLOAD THIS BURDEN, TAIDOU NAN SOUGHT OUT THE BANDITS' HIDEOUT WITH SIMA, AND TOGETHER THEY KILLED THEM ALL.
RARRGH!

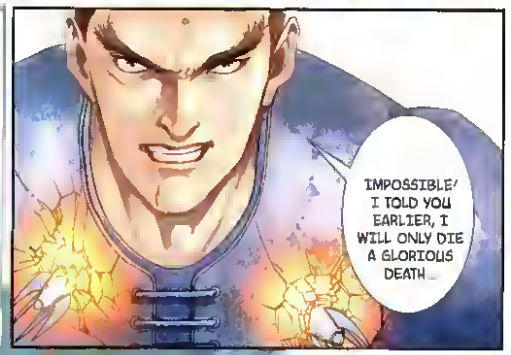
FOR HIS LOVE, NAN ATTRACTED DEATH...
AFTER A NIGHT OF KILLING, THE TWO HAD VANQUISHED THE BANDITS. BUT WHEN NAN TURNED TO LOOK AT SIMA, HE SAW HIS STUDENT'S GRISLY SMILE!
JUST ONE GLANCE LEFT NAN CHILLED.
SO, KUNG FU MAKES THIS GAME EVEN MORE FUN I HAVEN'T PLAYED ENOUGH, MASTER, WHY DON'T YOU PLAY WITH ME?
WOOP!
CHAK!

AFTER KILLING HIS OWN MASTER SIMA BEGAN HIS TRUE CALLING IN LIFE. HE KILLED INDISCRIMINATELY CONTINUOUSLY SEEKING TO REPLENISH THE JOY HE EXPERIENCED WITH DEATH!
BUT SADLY, THE HAPPINESS NEVER LASTED LONG. WITH TIME CAME BOREDOM, AND SLOWLY SIMA SANK BACK INTO DEPRESSION...
THEN HE MET SOMEONE WITH INCREDIBLE MARTIAL ARTS ABILITY AND INTELLI-GENCE
THIS MEETING OPENED SIMA'S EYES...
THE HAPPINESS IS GONE BECAUSE YOU'VE BEEN FOLLOWING THE WRONG PATH. FOLLOW ME, ONLY I UNDERSTAND YOUR DESIRE, ONLY I CAN FULFILL IT!

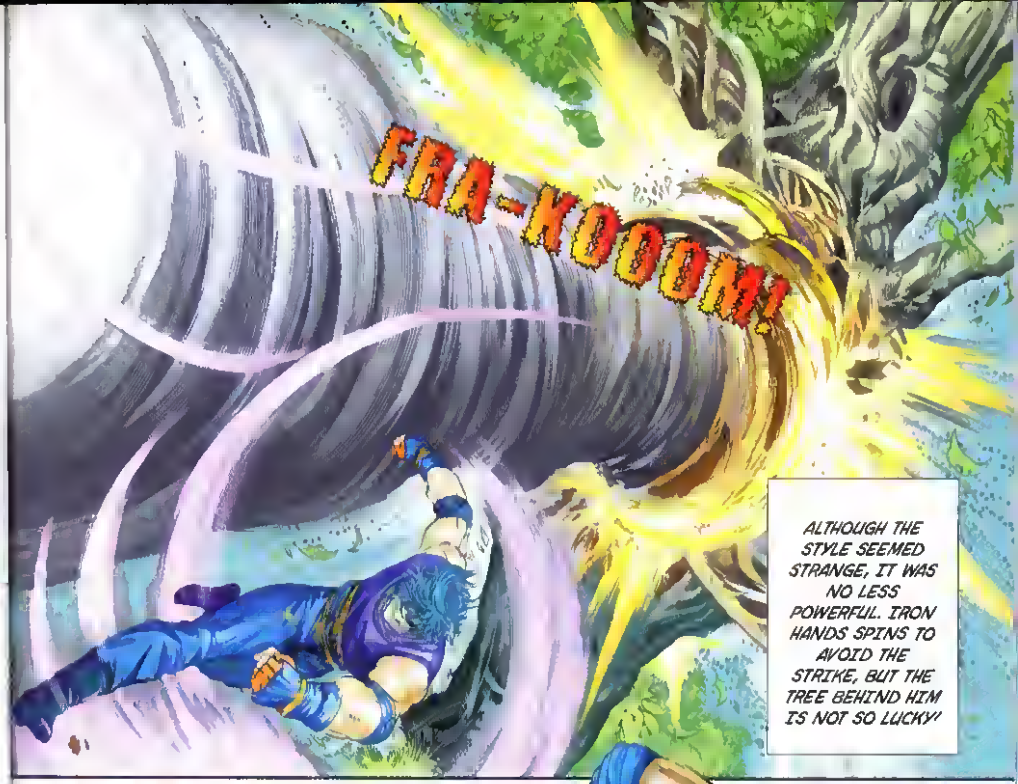
*HUANGFEN = AN EMPTY OR UNUSED CASKET.

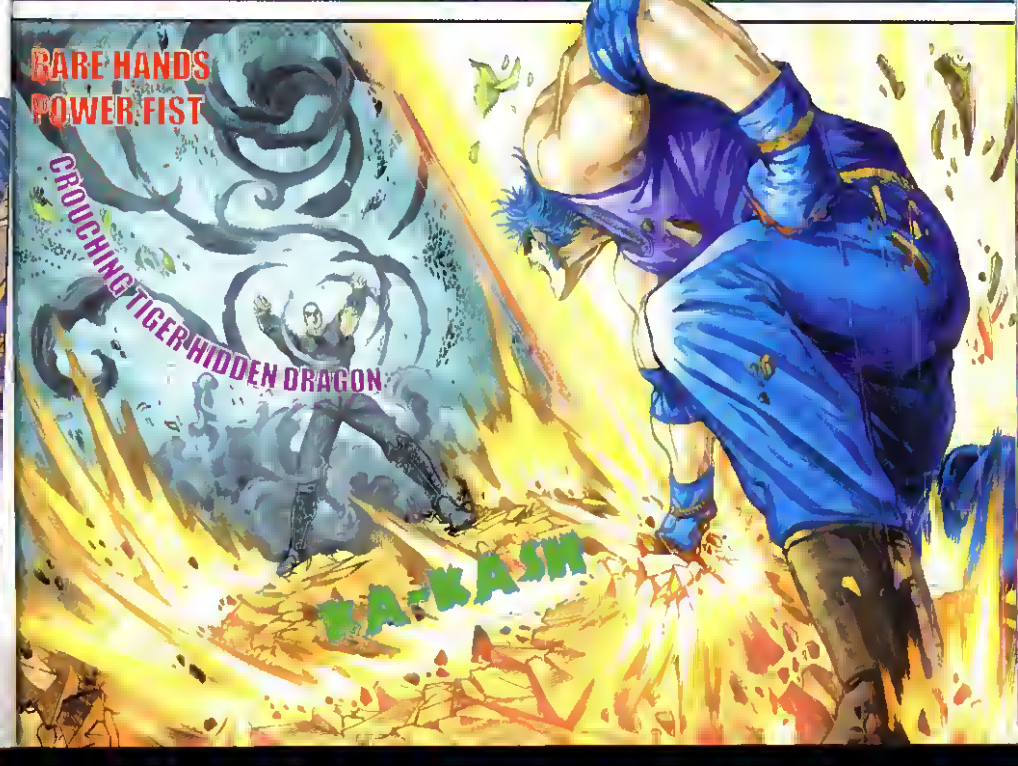
DO YOU KNOW WHAT MY NAME MEANS?
I AM ALWAYS WITH DEATH. I DON'T NEED A COFFIN, OR A BURIAL PLOT. I WANT TO DIE OUT IN THE OPEN, JUST SO, THAT IS MY WISH!


WHAT AN INTERESTING GOAL AND SUCH CRAZY LOGIC! DON'T WORRY. A POOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL LIKE MYSELF DOESN'T HAVE THE MONEY TO GIVE YOU A FANCY BURIAL. SO I'LL SEND YOU DIRECTLY TO HELL!



I HAVE A JOB TO DO I'M SORRY, SO I MUST THROW HONOR ASIDE!
NO PROBLEM, I JUST WANT TO DIE, THE MORE ENEMIES THE BETTER!
IRON HANDS IS STILL A TRUE GENTLEMAN, IT WAS NOT HIS WISH TO MAKE THE ODDS UNEVEN.
TAKE THIS - IT IS THE HAPPINESS I LEARNED FROM DEATH!
FROOM
DEATH FIST SECOND STANCE
BIG ESCAPE
AH. THIS STRIKE IS TOTALLY UNLIKE THE FIRST ONE. FIERCE AND POWERFUL! LIKE THE FORCES OF DEATH HOW CAN THERE BE SUCH A WEIRD STYLE?!


FRA-KOOOM!
ALTHOUGH THE STYLE SEEMED STRANGE, IT WAS NO LESS POWERFUL. IRON HANDS SPINS TO AVOID THE STRIKE, BUT THE TREE BEHIND HIM IS NOT SO LUCKY!


BARE HANDS POWER FIST
CROUCHING TIGER HIDDEN DRAGON
WA-KASH

FOOM FOOM!
WONDERFUL, SO YOU WERE HOLDING BACK ON ME! WHAT KIND OF A FRIEND ARE YOU?!

WIND FLOWER SNOW MOON—
HIDDEN WEAPON FOOM ULTIMATES
CHA!

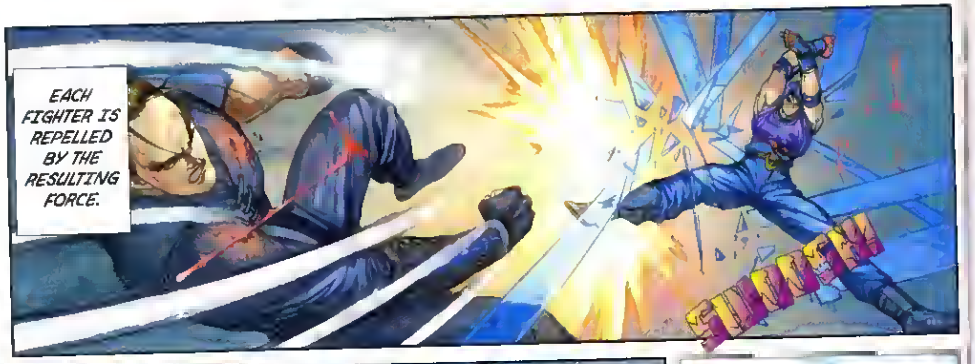
DANCE IN WIND
PIN PIN!!!

VRRZT
NO MATTER HOW TOUGH YOU ARE, YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO BEAT BOTH OF US. JUST GIVE UP!

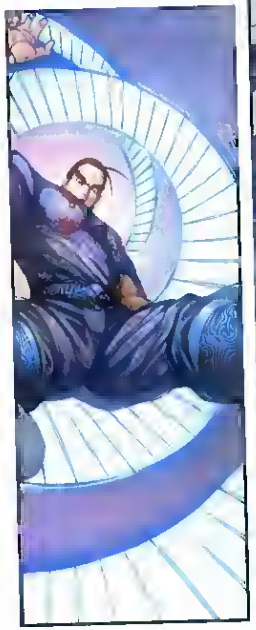
SHWOOP!
TEN MILE THUNDER STRIKE

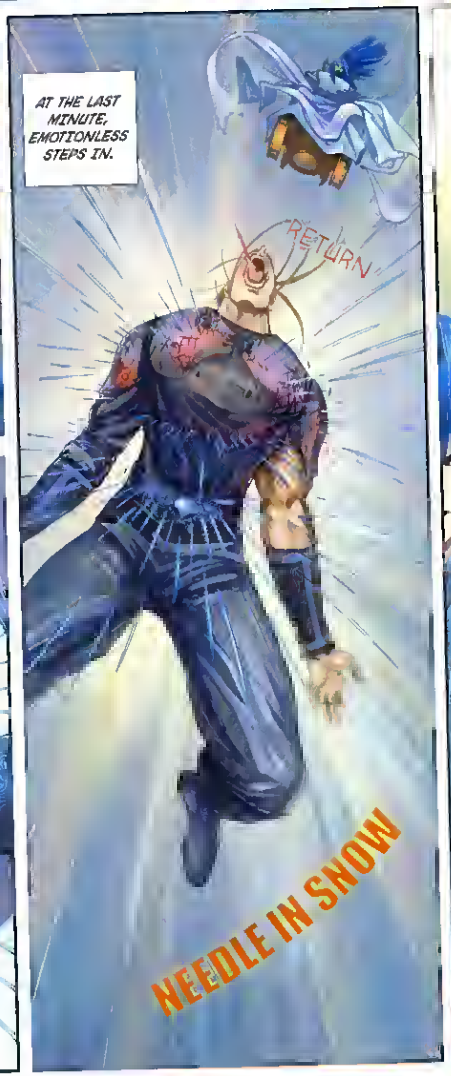
I WOULD RATHER DIE THAN SUBMIT! DON'T WASTE YOUR TIME! READY?
BOOM...
DWRRMM!
GO AHEAD!

BIG ESCAPE
IRON SWING SILVER HOOK


EACH FIGHTER IS REPELLED BY THE RESULTING FORCE.
THUNK!

SHA



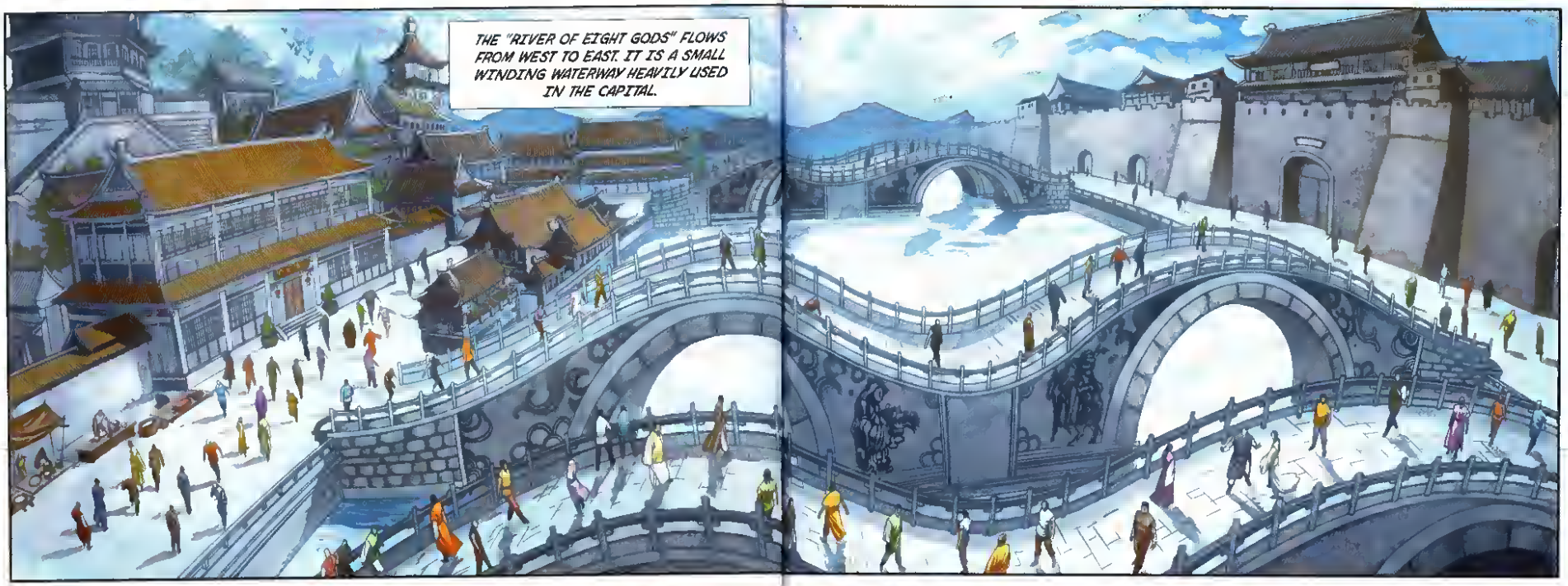

AT THE LAST MINUTE, EMOTIONLESS STEPS IN.
RETURN
NEEDLE IN SNOW

OUR ATTACKS PERFECTLY COMPLIMENT EACH OTHER. I JUST NEED TO STRIKE HIM ONE MORE TIME, THEN HE WON'T BE ABLE TO FIGHT BACK!

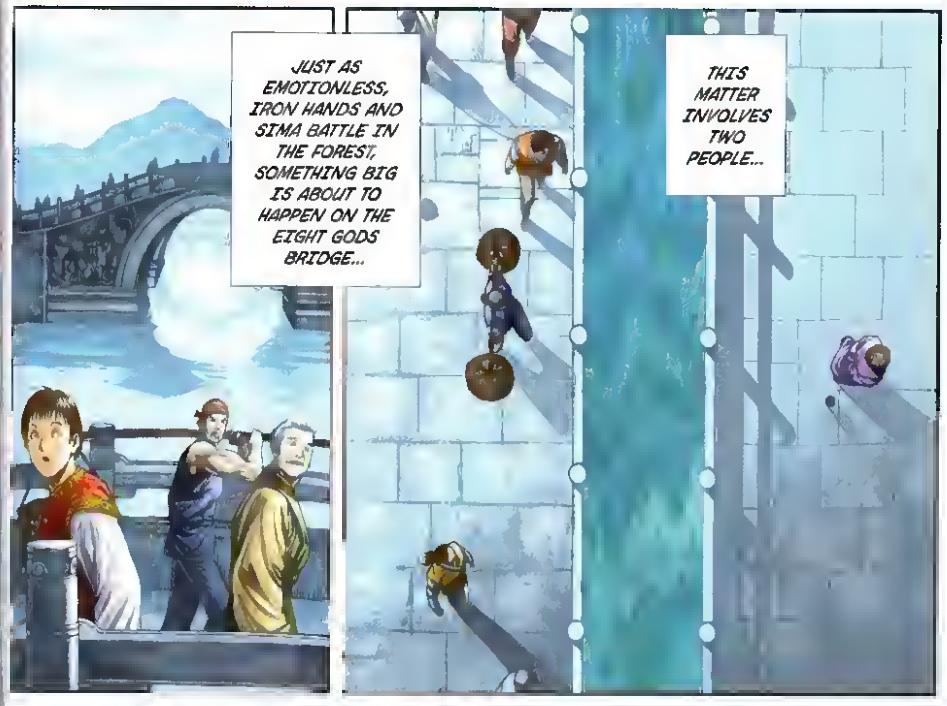
THUNK!
AH, HE'S GONE...!!

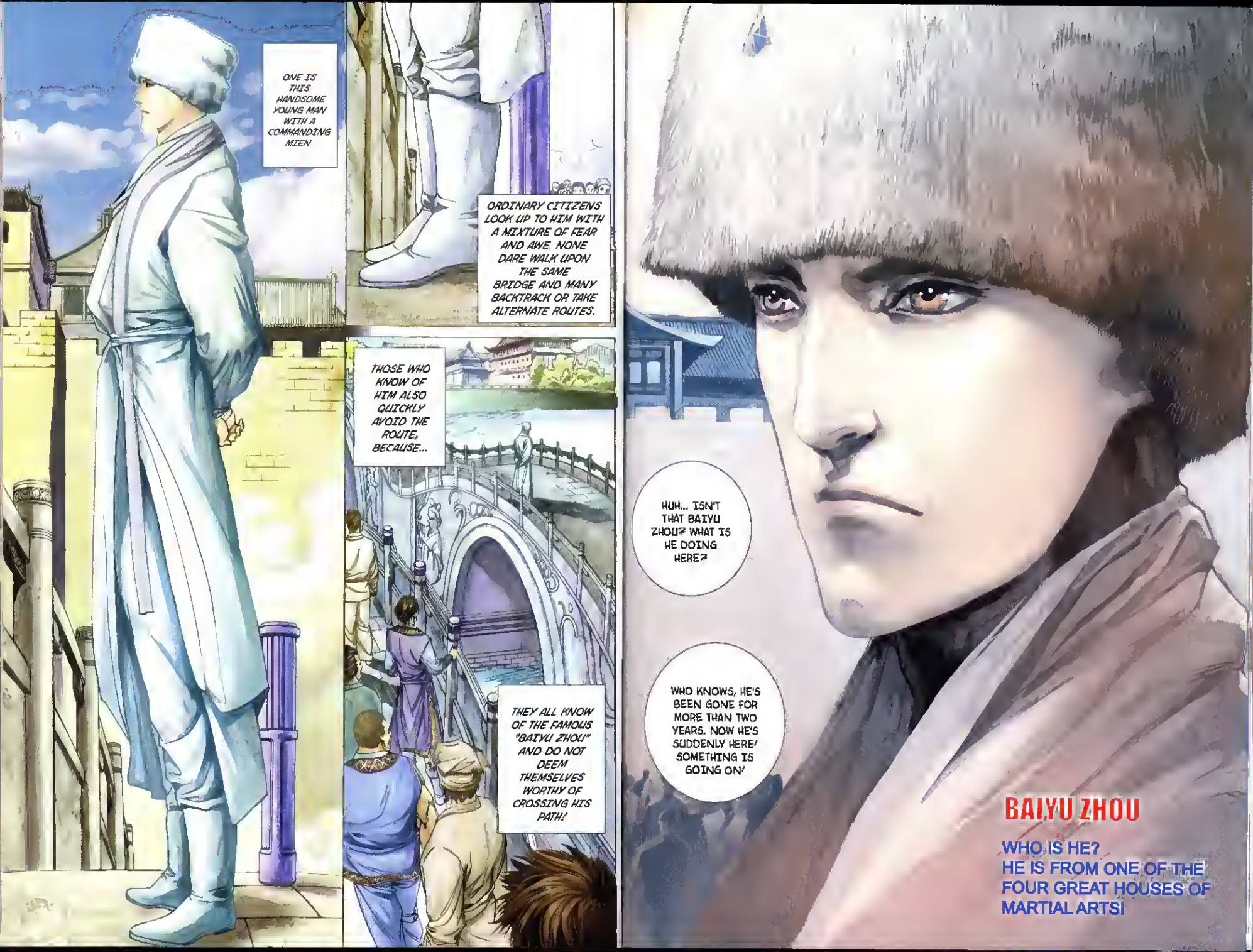
KLAP
HEHE, DON'T THINK I'M JUST A BRAWLER WITHOUT STRATEGY. YOU'RE WEAPONS ARE PRETTY TRICKY, BUT NOT POWERFUL ENOUGH! YOU CAN'T STOP ME!

ONE MISTAKE AND EMOTIONLESS FELL INTO PERIL. TRAPPING THE CONSTABLE'S ARMS LEAVES SIMA ONE STEP AWAY FROM WRENCHING THEM FROM THEIR SOCKETS!
CHA...
LET ME FIRST BREAK BOTH OF YOUR ARMS, AND THEN I WILL HAVE A GREAT ONE ON ONE FIGHT WITH IRON HANDS!


THE "RIVER OF EIGHT GODS" FLOWS FROM WEST TO EAST. IT IS A SMALL WINDING WATERWAY HEAVILY USED IN THE CAPITAL.

THERE ARE EIGHT BRIDGES OVER THE RIVER. EACH CARVED WITH THE EFFIGY OF A GOD--HENCE ITS NAME.
THE RIVER OF EIGHT GODS


JUST AS EMOTIONLESS, IRON HANDS AND SIMA BATTLE IN THE FOREST, SOMETHING BIG IS ABOUT TO HAPPEN ON THE EIGHT GODS BRIDGE...
THIS MATTER INVOLVES TWO PEOPLE...


ONE IS THIS HANDSOME YOUNG MAN WITH A COMMANDING MIEN
ORDINARY CITIZENS LOOK UP TO HIM WITH A MIXTURE OF FEAR AND AWE. NONE DARE WALK UPON THE SAME BRIDGE AND MANY BACKTRACK OR TAKE ALTERNATE ROUTES.
THOSE WHO KNOW OF HIM ALSO QUICKLY AVOID THE ROUTE, BECAUSE...
THEY ALL KNOW OF THE FAMOUS "BAIYU ZHOU" AND DO NOT DEEM THEMSELVES WORTHY OF CROSSING HIS PATH!
HUH... ISN'T THAT BAIYU ZHOU? WHAT IS HE DOING HERE?
WHO KNOWS, HE'S BEEN GONE FOR MORE THAN TWO YEARS. NOW HE'S SUDDENLY HERE! SOMETHING IS GOING ON!
BAIYU ZHOU
WHO IS HE?
HE IS FROM ONE OF THE FOUR GREAT HOUSES OF MARTIAL ARTS!

WHAT ARE THE FOUR GREAT HOUSES OF MARTIAL ARTS? ASIDE FROM THE TRADITIONALLY FAMOUS MARTIAL ARTS CLANS AND SCHOOLS, THERE ARE FOUR MAIN MARTIAL ARTS HOUSES. EACH IS STRONG AND POWERFUL, DOMINATING THEIR PARTICULAR REGION.

EAST CASTLE -
STIRRING SKIES CASTLE

THE MASTER OF THIS HOUSE "MYSTIC DRAGON TIAN-XING HUANG" IS ALREADY GETTING ON IN AGE. WITH HIS GREAT PRIDE, QUICK TEMPER AND HIS "DEMON SUNDERING LIGHTENING PALMS" HE HAS RULED THE REGION FOR DECADES AND NEVER LOST A BATTLE.

SOUTH CLAN -
BLUE HEAVEN CLAN

CLAN MASTER "QUAKE CHENG-FENG YIN" IS THE ADOPTED SON OF THE FORMER CLAN MASTER. HE IS BARELY MORE THAN TWENTY YEARS OF AGE. WITH GREAT ENERGY, MARTIAL ARTS PROWESS, AND WISDOM, HE HAS LED THE BLUE HEAVEN CLAN TO DOMINATE THE SOUTH.

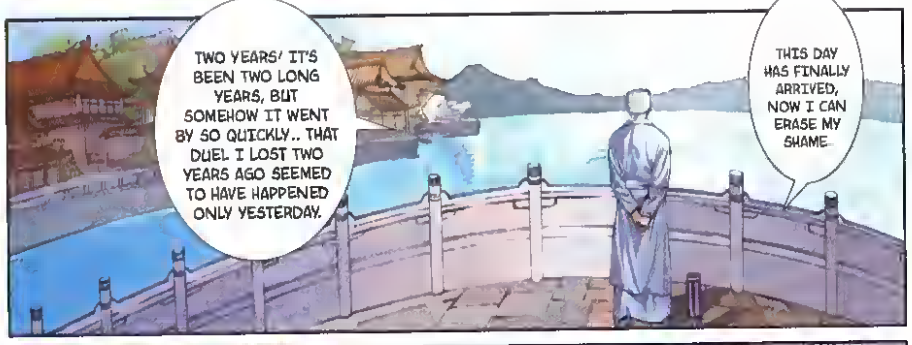
WEST TOWN -
PRONE RHINO TOWN

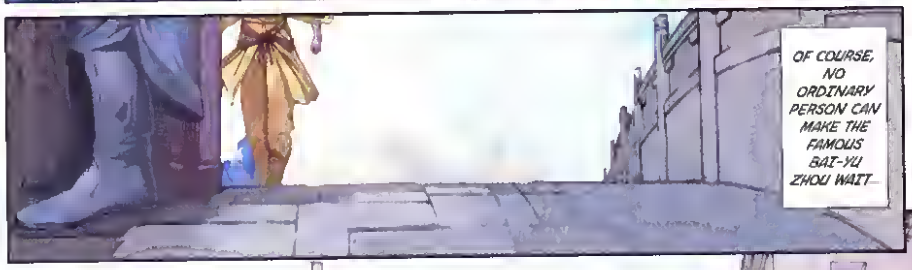
TOWN MASTER "RULER YUAN-SHAN LAN" IS ABOUT THIRTY YEARS OF AGE. HIS PERSONALITY IS AS DEEP AND UNFATHAMABLE AS HIS KUNG FU. RUMOR HAS IT, HIS SECRET YUAN-YANG STYLE, HAS HONED HIS CHI TO A LEVEL HIGHER THAN THE RENOWNED CONSTABLE, IRON HANDS!

NORTH CITY -
WAVING SUN CITY

MASTER OF THE CITY, "ICE TIP SWORD BAI-YU ZHOU" IS 26 YEARS OLD, ARROGANT AND HATEFUL. THOSE WHO OFFEND HIM HAVE NEVER SURVIVED HIS SWORD. HE IS KNOWN AS THE MOST FLAMBOYANT AND CONCEITED AMONG THE FOUR GREAT HOUSES OF MARTIAL ARTS.

THE FOUR GREAT HOUSES OF MARTIAL ARTS CAME TO POWER FROM NOTHING, BECAUSE EACH IS INCREDIBLY STRONG, BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY, THEY WORK TOGETHER TO HELP ONE ANOTHER. THROUGHOUT THE YEARS, WHEN ONE FACED AN ENEMY, ALL FOUR HOUSES WOULD BAND TOGETHER TO FACE THE THREAT AS ONE. THEY HAVE BECOME PILLARS OF POWER AND RESPECT IN THE MARTIAL ARTS WORLD, SLOWLY REPLACING THE OLD, TRADITIONAL SCHOOLS AND CLANS.


TWO YEARS! IT'S BEEN TWO LONG YEARS, BUT SOMEHOW IT WENT BY SO QUICKLY.. THAT DUEL I LOST TWO YEARS AGO SEEMED TO HAVE HAPPENED ONLY YESTERDAY.
THIS DAY HAS FINALLY ARRIVED, NOW I CAN ERASE MY SHAME.

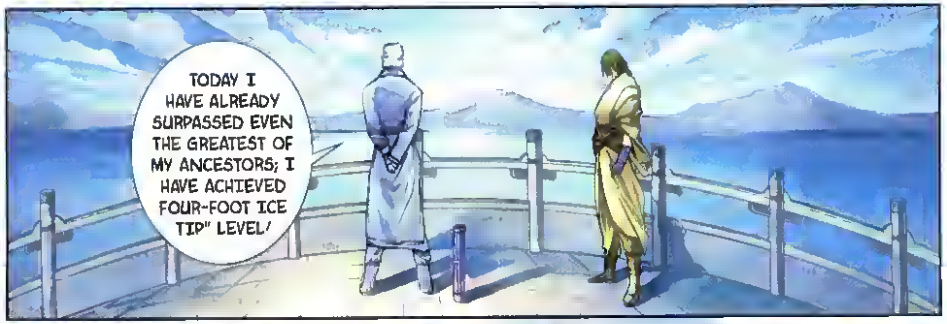

OF COURSE, NO ORDINARY PERSON CAN MAKE THE FAMOUS BAI-YU ZHOU WAIT.

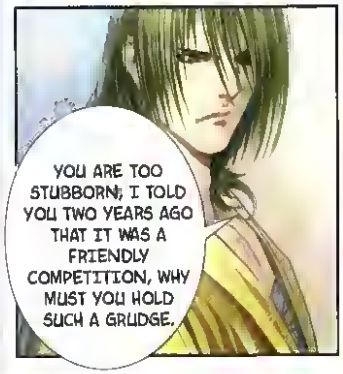
FOUR CONSTABLES - COLO BLOOOED
THE WOUNDED COLD BLOODED SHOULD BE RESTING AT ZHUGE HALL. WHAT IS HE OOING HERE MEETING WITH BAI-YU ZHOU ON THE RIVER OF EIGHT GODS?

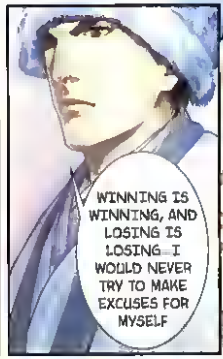
YOU ARE EARLY.
EARLY? MY HEART ALREADY FLEW HERE TWO YEARS AGO!

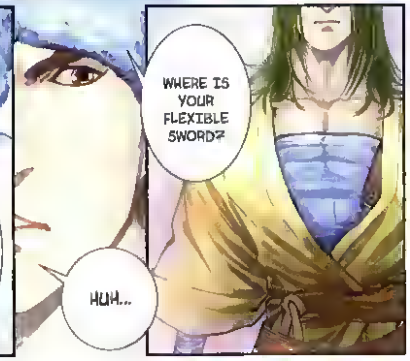
YOU ARE SO EAGER... FOR THAT LOSS YOU MUST HAVE PRACTICED VERY HARD THESE TWO YEARS. I AM SURE YOU REACHED "THREE FEET" LEVEL WITH YOUR SWORD.

WRONG, SINCE LOSING TO YOUR NAMELESS SWORD STYLE, I HAVE REPENTED AND LEARNED A GREAT DEAL ABOUT MY MARTIAL ARTS...

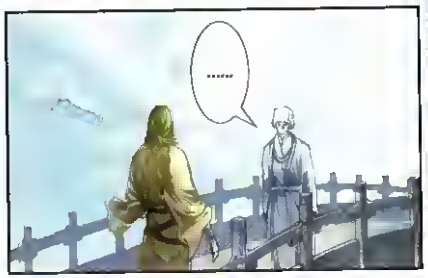

TODAY I HAVE ALREADY SURPASSED EVEN THE GREATEST OF MY ANCESTORS; I HAVE ACHIEVED FOUR-FOOT ICE TIP" LEVEL!


YOU ARE TOO STUBBORN; I TOLD YOU TWO YEARS AGO THAT IT WAS A FRIENDLY COMPETITION, WHY MUST YOU HOLD SUCH A GRUDGE.


WINNING IS WINNING, AND LOSING IS LOSING... I WOULD NEVER TRY TO MAKE EXCUSES FOR MYSELF


HUH...
WHERE IS YOUR FLEXIBLE SWORD?

I DIDN'T BRING IT BECAUSE I HAVE NO INTEREST IN CONTINUING THIS GRUDGE MATCH WITH YOU.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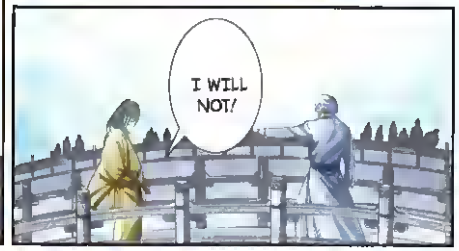
LOOK, THE FAMOUS CONSTABLE COLD BLOODED IS THERE TOO! THINGS ARE GETTING SERIOUS!
OF COURSE, EVEN A BLIND MAN CAN TELL THAT THEY ARE ABOUT TO HAVE A DUEL. COLD BLOODED VS. BAI-YU ZHOU, WHAT GOOD FORTUNE THAT I CAN WITNESS SUCH A BATTLE!

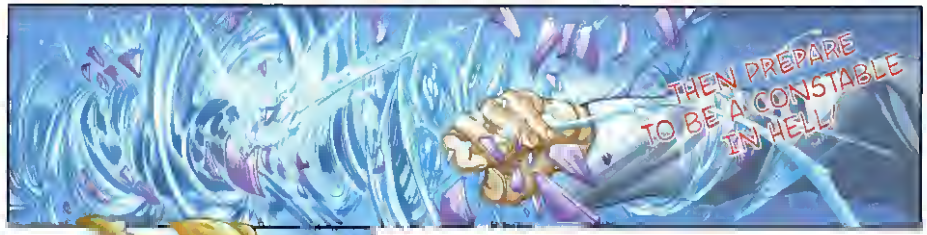
RIDICULOUS!

TO PREPARE FOR THIS DAY, I HAVE SPENT TWO YEARS WITHOUT ANY REST STUDYING MY MARTIAL ARTS. HOW CAN YOU SO EASILY BRUSH ME ASIDE? COLD BLOODED, YOU ARE TOYING WITH ME!

I AM NOT TOYING WITH YOU. I HAVE AN IMPORTANT CASE, AND I DO NOT BELIEVE I SHOULD SPEND TIME ON PERSONAL MATTERS. PLEASE FORGIVE MY RUDENESS, MASTER ZHOU.

I CAN NOT ACCEPT THIS OUTRAGEOUS LIE! ANSWER ME, WILL YOU FIGHT ME OR NOT?


I WILL NOT!


THEN PREPARE TO BE A CONSTABLE IN HELL!

PLEASE, MASTER ZHOU...

DON'T PUSH ME TOO FAR!

ICE TIP SWORD
A RARE AND STRANGE FORM OF SWORD STYLE. IT USES PURE YING CHI TO FREEZE WATER INTO A BLADE OF ICE. THE HIGHER THE CHI LEVEL, THE LONGER THE BLADE. A WIELDER'S PROWESS CAN BE JUDGED DIRECTLY FROM THE LENGTH OF HIS BLADE.
HU HU...

YOU ARE THE ONE GOING BACK ON YOUR PROMISE, YOU CAN'T BLAME ME!

COME!
WOOSH

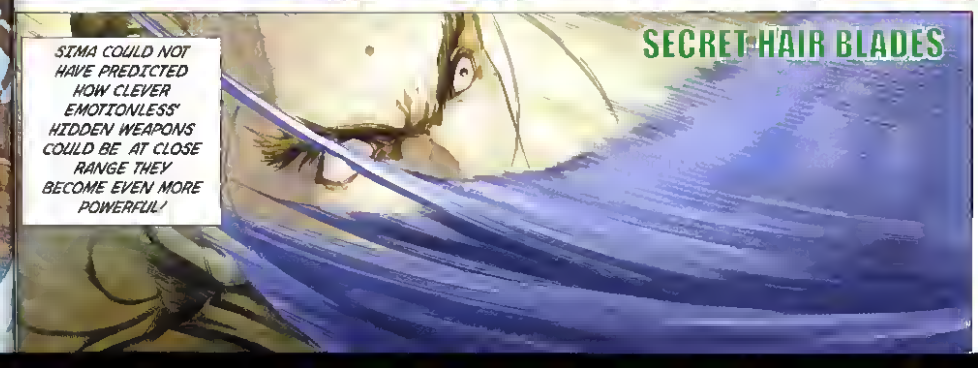
I CAN ALREADY FEEL THE ICY COLDNESS OF HIS SWORD SPREADING THROUGH MY BODY--HE HAS IMPROVED A GREAT DEAL.
EVEN WITH MY SWORD, I MAY NOT BE ABLE TO DEFEAT HIM...
COLD BLOODED STRUGGLED ON, KICKING UP WINE JUGS TO BLOCK BAIYU ZHOU'S WAY.
KASH!
THE LAST STRUGGLES BEFORE DEATH!

KASH!!
ICE-TIP SWORD SKY-FILLED WITH SWORD FROST
BAI-YU ZHOU'S TARGET WAS COLD BLOODED SKILLFULLY, HE DOES NOT HARM A SINGLE BYSTANDER. HIS SWORD TECHNIQUE'S ACCURACY AND AIM ARE AMAZING!
HEY! WHAT ARE YOU DOING ON MY BOAT!

BAI-YU ZHOU STRUCK STRAIGHT AND TRUE, SPLITTING THE BOAT IN HALF! BUT COLD BLOODED DIVES THROUGH THE MIDDLE.

BACK IN THE FOREST EMOTIONLESS' ARMS ARE HELD BY SIMA ONE PULL COULD RIP THEM OFF!

IN THE MIDST OF DANGER EMOTIONLESS WAVES HIS HEAD AND HIS LONG HAIR FLIPS UP LIKE SO MANY THIN BLADES..



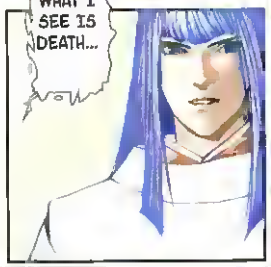
SIMA COULD NOT HAVE PREDICTED HOW CLEVER EMOTIONLESS' HIDDEN WEAPONS COULD BE AT CLOSE RANGE THEY BECOME EVEN MORE POWERFUL!

AH!

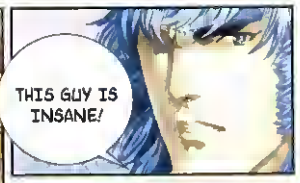
THE BLOW RADIATES POWER AND SHATTERS THE GROUND.... SIMA BORE THE FULL BRUNT OF THE BLAST, IT IS DOUBTFUL HE WILL BE ABLE TO STAND AND FIGHT AGAIN...
THRUMP

HEH!
SIMA, IT'S OVER FOR YOU!
CHA-KOW!!

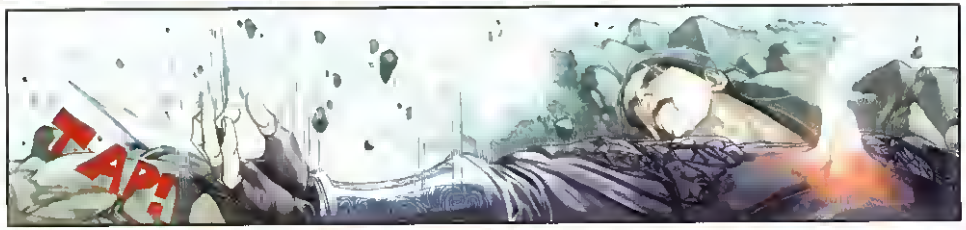
HE WON'T BE GETTING UP..


WHAT I SEE IS DEATH...

THE MOST GLORIOUS THE MOST EXCITING DEATH... I DON'T WANT TO DIE ANY OTHER WAY...

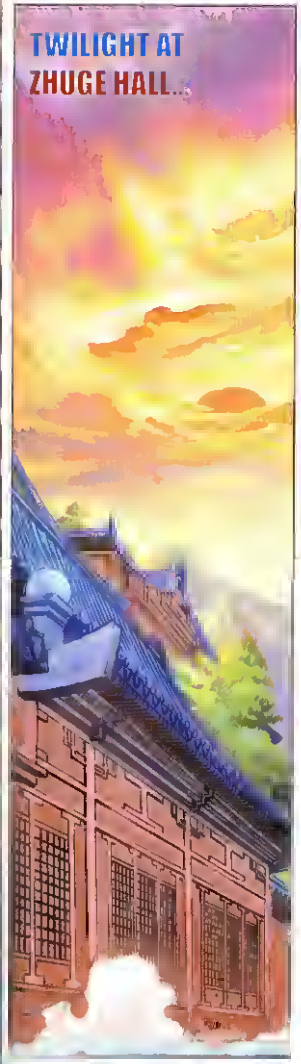

THIS GUY IS INSANE!

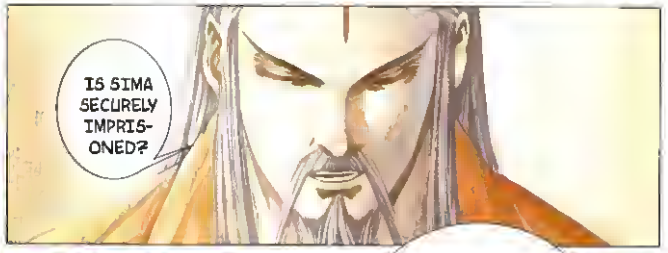
KILL... ME!

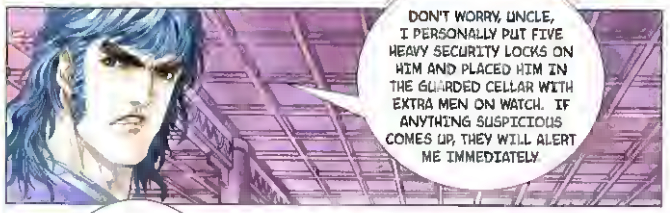

TAP!

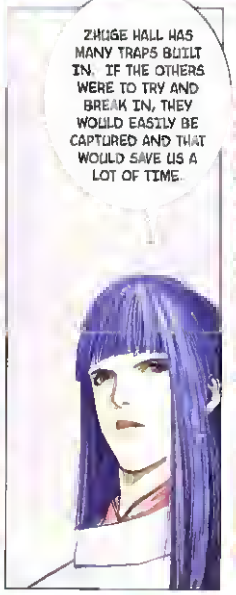
SIMA IS FRIGHTENING ENOUGH. I AM AFRAID TO IMAGINE WHAT KIND OF PERSON IS BEHIND ALL THIS!

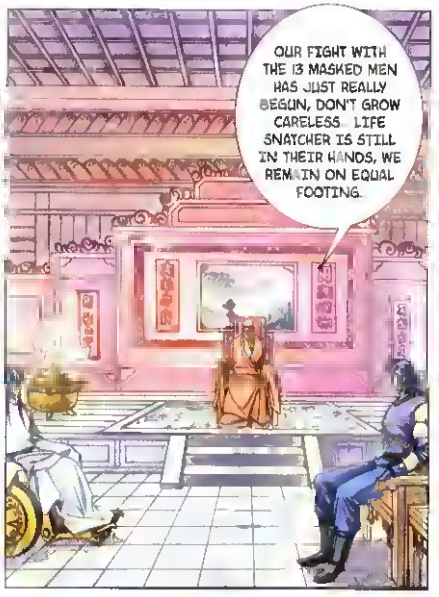
ALTHOUGH IT WAS FAR FROM EASY, WE'VE FINALLY CAPTURED ONE OF THEM. THE NEXT ONE TO FALL WILL BE... THEIR LEADER!


TWILIGHT AT ZHUGE HALL...


IS SIMA SECURELY IMPRIS-ONED?


DON'T WORRY, UNCLE, I PERSONALLY PUT FIVE HEAVY SECURITY LOCKS ON HIM AND PLACED HIM IN THE GUARDED CELLAR WITH EXTRA MEN ON WATCH. IF ANYTHING SUSPICIOUS COMES UP, THEY WILL ALERT ME IMMEDIATELY.

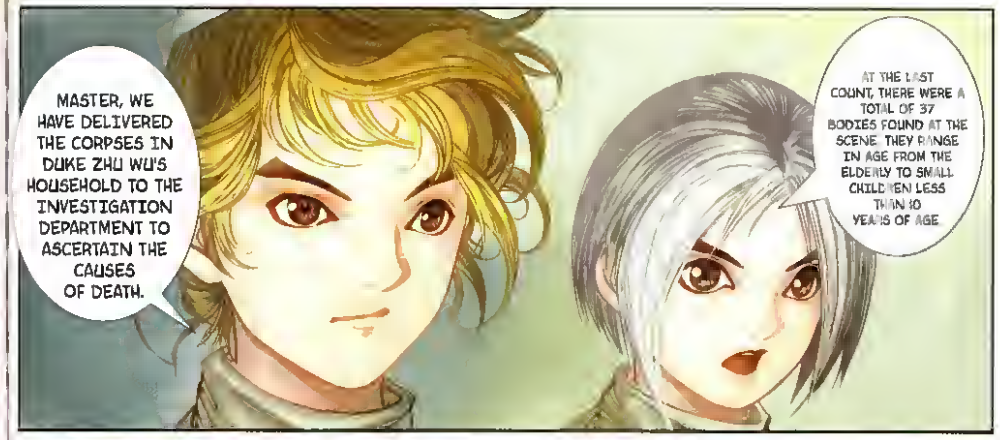

ZHUGE HALL HAS MANY TRAPS BUILT IN. IF THE OTHERS WERE TO TRY AND BREAK IN, THEY WOULD EASILY BE CAPTURED AND THAT WOULD SAVE US A LOT OF TIME.

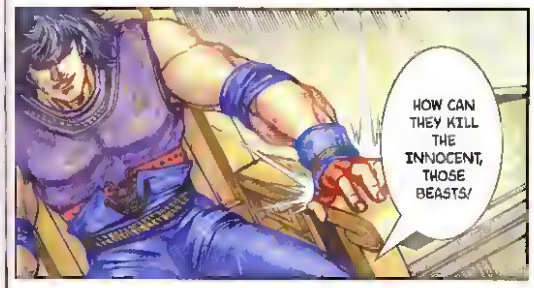

OUR FIGHT WITH THE 13 MASKED MEN HAS JUST REALLY BEGUN, DON'T GROW CARELESS. LIFE SNATCHER IS STILL IN THEIR HANDS, WE REMAIN ON EQUAL FOOTING.

TAP TAP...

GOLD SWORD BOY
SILVER SWORD BOY
BRONZE SWORD BOY
IRON SWORD BOY
FOUR SWORDS SQUAD GREETS MASTER, YOUNG MASTER, AND UNCLE!

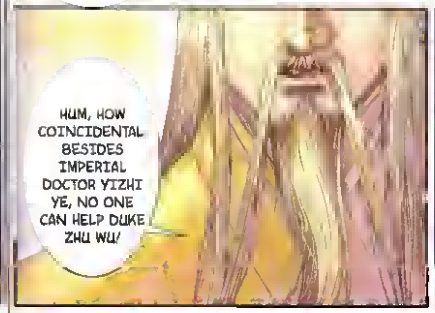
HAS THE MATTER BEEN TAKEN CARE OF?


MASTER, WE HAVE DELIVERED THE CORPSES IN DUKE ZHU WU'S HOUSEHOLD TO THE INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT TO ASCERTAIN THE CAUSES OF DEATH.
AT THE LAST COUNT, THERE WERE A TOTAL OF 37 BODIES FOUND AT THE SCENE. THEY RANGE IN AGE FROM THE ELDERLY TO SMALL CHILDREN LESS THAN 10 YEARS OF AGE.


HOW CAN THEY KILL THE INNOCENT, THOSE BEASTS!

WHEN WILL THE IMPERIAL DOCTOR YIZHI YE ARRIVE?

MASTER, THE PRINCE SUDDENLY BECAME ILL THIS MORNING. DOCTOR YIZHI YE HAS BEEN CALLED IN FOR EMERGENCY CARE.
FROM SPEAKING WITH THE EUNUCHS, THE PRINCE IS VERY SERIOUSLY ILL. THE EMPEROR HAS COMMANDED DOCTOR YE TO STAY IN THE PALACE AND CARE FOR THE PRINCE. WE DO NOT KNOW WHEN HE WILL BE ABLE TO COME TO ZHUGE HALL.


HUM, HOW COINCIDENTAL. BESIDES IMPERIAL DOCTOR YIZHI YE, NO ONE CAN HELP DUKE ZHU WU!

THE FOUR SWORDS SQUAD IS MADE UP OF FOUR YOUNG BOYS WHO HAVE TRAINED UNDER MASTER ZHUGE'S TUTELAGE FOR MANY YEARS ALREADY. THEY ARE WISER AND MORE THOROUGH THAN MANY ADULTS. THEIR FUTURES WILL BE PROMISING!

SINCE THAT'S THE CASE, I WILL USE MY CHI TO KEEP THE DUKE ALIVE UNTIL THE DOCTOR IS AVAILABLE!
UNCLE, USING CHI IN THAT MANNER IS VERY HARMFUL TO YOUR BODY, PLEASE ALLOW ME...
MASTER ZHUGE .. OUTSIDE... OUTSIDE...
....

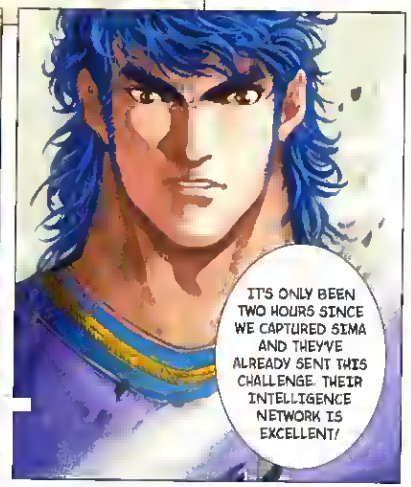
ZHUGE HALL DOES NOT APPEAR TOO FORMIDABLE, BUT NO ONE HAS EVER DARED TO COME WITH A DIRECT CHALLENGE. IT MUST BE THE WORK OF THE 13 MASKED MEN!
THIS MIGHT BE A TRAP! BE CAREFUL!

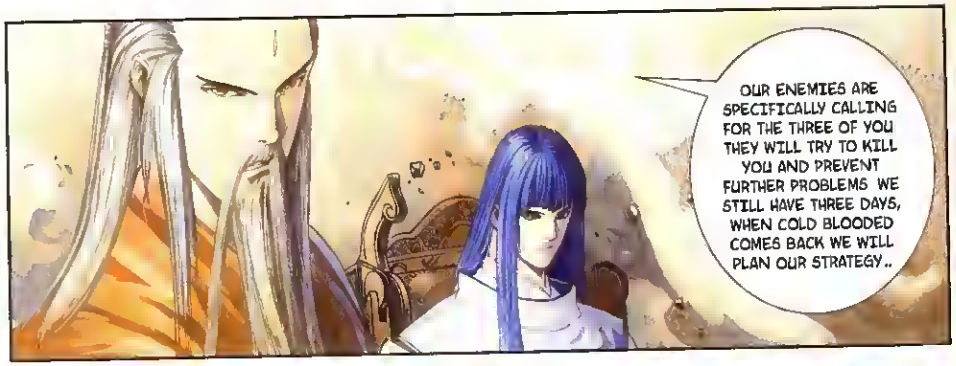
I WILL!
SHAAA
IN CASE THE COFFIN IS TRAPPED, IRON HANDS CIRCULATES CHI THROUGH HIS ARMS IN PREPARATION.

BOOM!
RELEASING THE CHI SHATTERS THE COFFIN INSTANTLY!

SHA SHA...
EMPTY COFFIN
EMOTIONLESS
IRON HANDS
COLD BLOODED
3 DAYS HENCE
COME TO FLYING NIMBUS VALLEY
WITH SIMA HUANGFEN FOR AN EXCHANGE

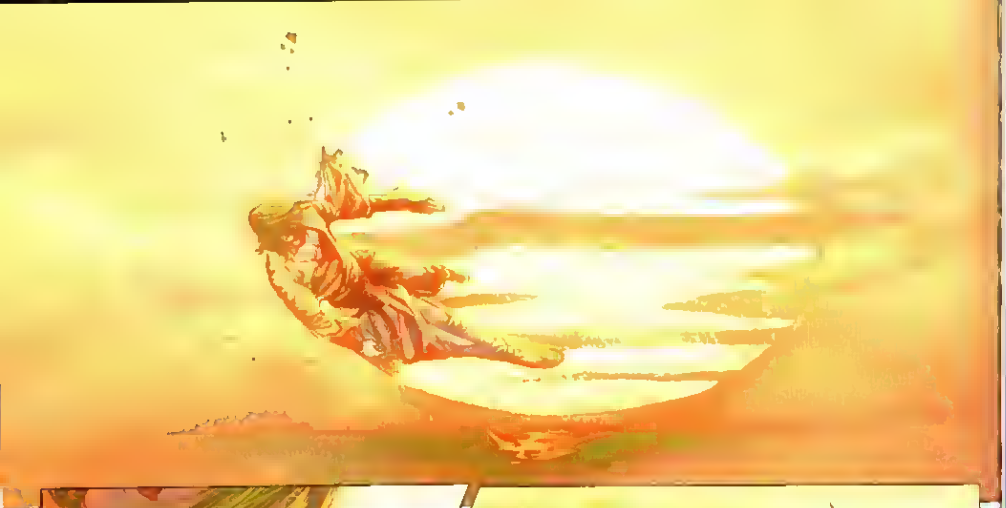
EXCHANGE? THE 13 MASKED MEN WANT TO MAKE AN EXCHANGE FOR LIFE SNATCHER?

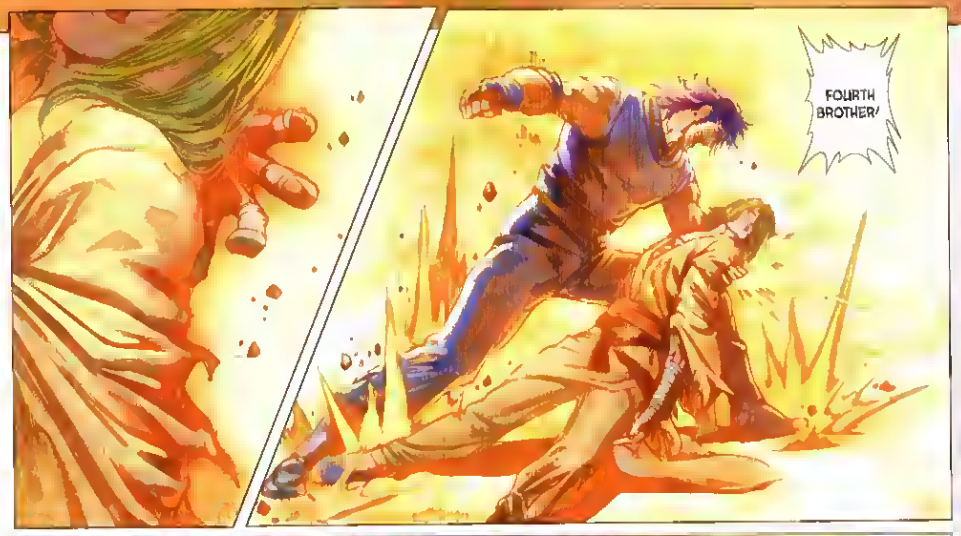

IT'S ONLY BEEN TWO HOURS SINCE WE CAPTURED SIMA AND THEY'VE ALREADY SENT THIS CHALLENGE. THEIR INTELLIGENCE NETWORK IS EXCELLENT!


OUR ENEMIES ARE SPECIFICALLY CALLING FOR THE THREE OF YOU THEY WILL TRY TO KILL YOU AND PREVENT FURTHER PROBLEMS WE STILL HAVE THREE DAYS, WHEN COLD BLOODED COMES BACK WE WILL PLAN OUR STRATEGY..

BUT THAT MOMENT HAS COME..

UNCLE... I AM BACK...

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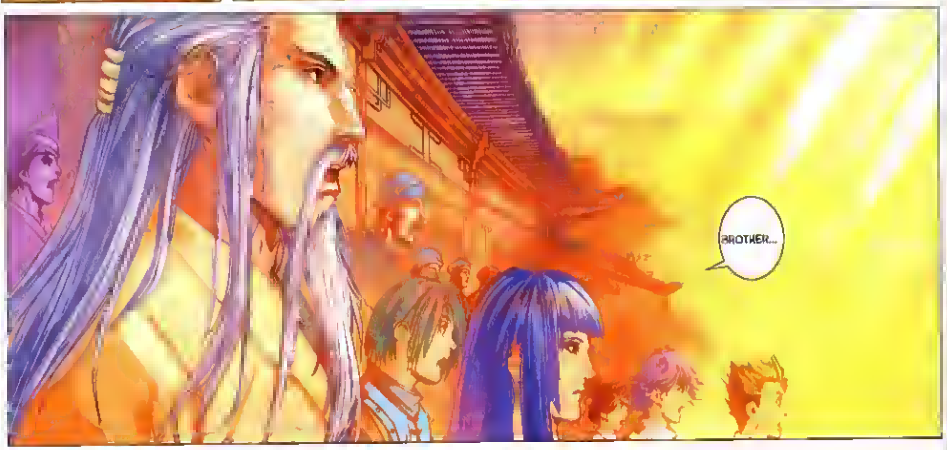
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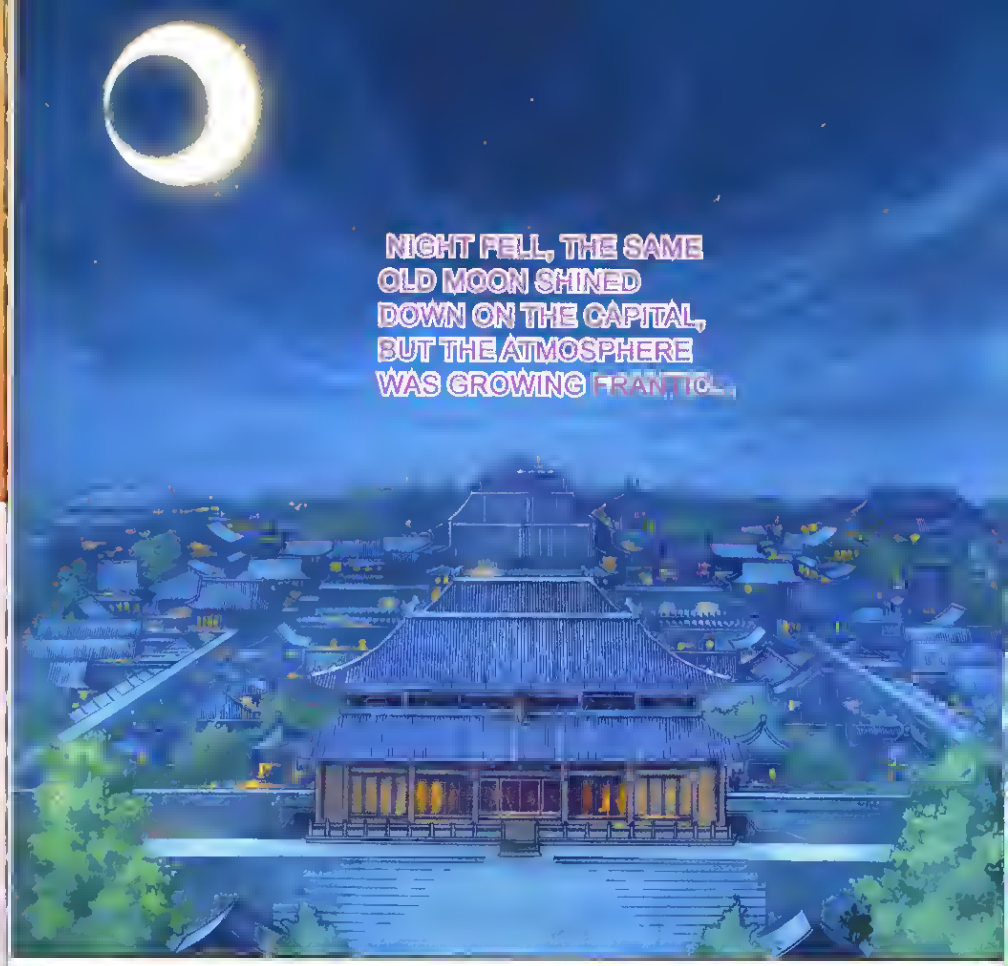
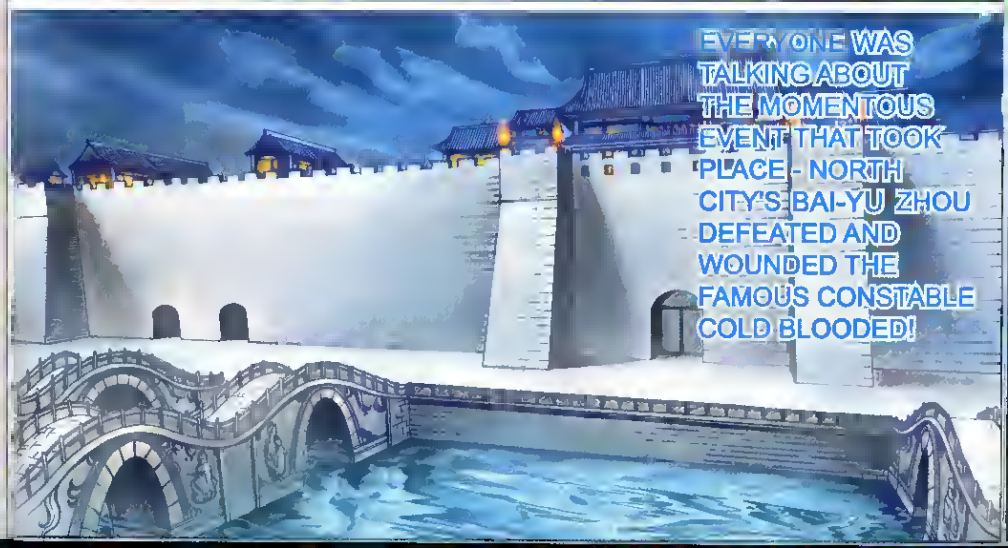

NIGHT FELL, THE SAME OLD MOON SHINED DOWN ON THE CAPITAL, BUT THE ATMOSPHERE WAS GROWING FRANTIC.


EVERY ONE WAS TALKING ABOUT THE MOMENTOUS EVENT THAT TOOK PLACE - NORTH CITY'S BAI-YU ZHOU DEFEATED AND WOUNDED THE FAMOUS CONSTABLE COLD BLOODED!

MERE MINUTES AFTER THE DUEL, THE EXCITING STORY HAD SPREAD THROUGH THE CITY...
TWO SWORD MASTERS, BAI-YU ZHOU AND COLD BLOODED PROMISED TO MEET AT THE RIVER OF EIGHT GODS FOR A DUEL. COLD BLOODED'S SPEED BLADES WERE NO MATCH FOR BAI-YU ZHOU'S BLADE OF ICE. HE LOST AND WAS GRAVELY INJURED!
LUCKILY BAIYU ZHOU WAS A GENEROUS MAN. HE SPARED COLD BLOODED'S LIFE. BUT ALL OF COLD BLOODED'S EIGHT MAJOR MERIDIAN LINES HAVE BEEN COMPLETELY SEVERED, AND HE WAS ALSO STABBED THROUGH THE GUT BY THE ICE SWORD. HE WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO WALK AGAIN.

ALTHOUGH THE STORY IS GREATLY EXAGGERATED, ONE FACT REMAINS... COLD BLOODED WAS DEFEATED.
LUCK DOESN'T COME TWICE, BUT MISFORTUNE FOLLOWS ONE AFTER ANOTHER. FIRST LIFE SNATCHER WAS CAPTURED, AND NOW COLD BLOODED IS INJURED. THINGS ARE STARTING TO LOOK VERY BLEAK!
IN THE FACE OF SUCH PREDICAMENTS, WILL THE WISEST OF THE FOUR CONSTABLES, EMOTIONLESS, BE ABLE TO DEVISE A PROPER STRATEGY?

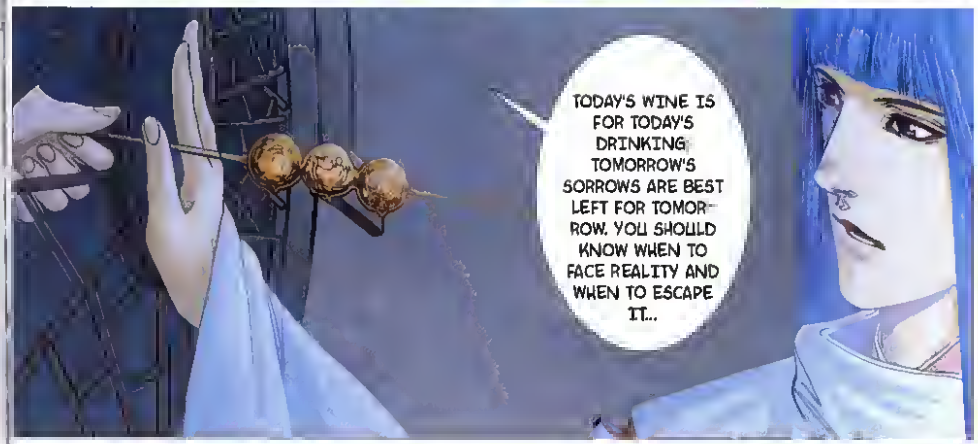
WHY DID I COME HERE?

IS IT BECAUSE OF... HER?

THE SAME FLOWERS BLOOM, BUT PEOPLE HAVE CHANGED...

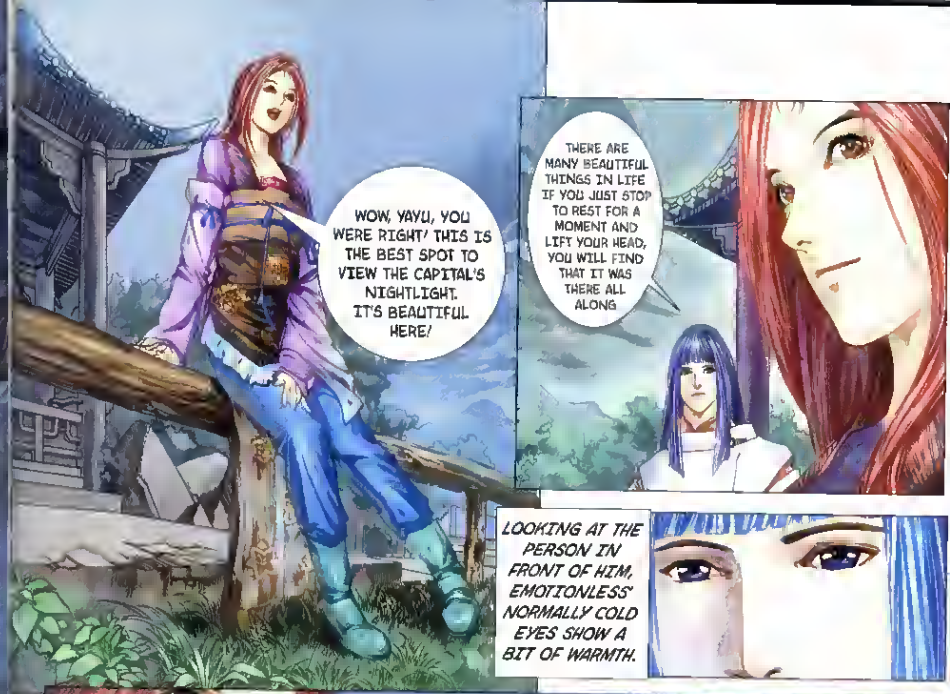
SHE IS NO LONGER THAT INNOCENT GIRL I ONCE KNEW.

THE NEXT TIME WE MEET WILL BE AS ENEMIES. EMOTIONLESS. WILL YOU BE ABLE TO KILL ME?

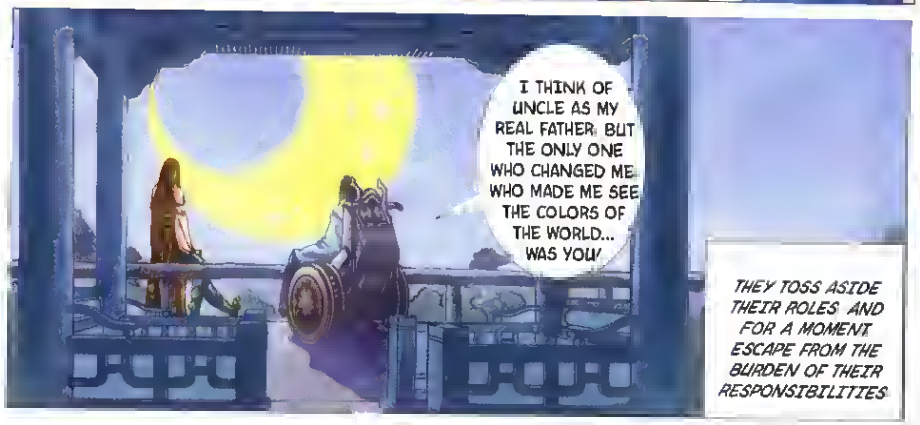

TODAY'S WINE IS FOR TODAY'S DRINKING. TOMORROW'S SORROWS ARE BEST LEFT FOR TOMORROW. YOU SHOULD KNOW WHEN TO FACE REALITY AND WHEN TO ESCAPE IT...

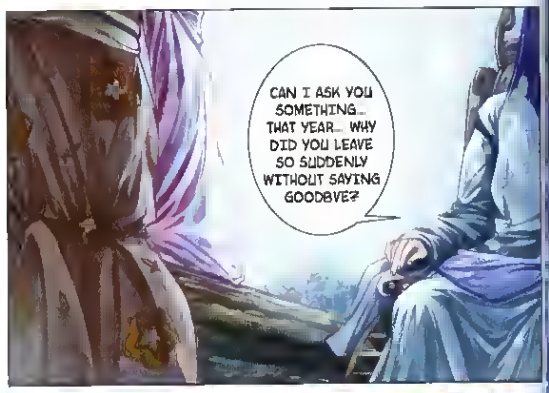
MY SMART LITTLE YAYU, DO YOU WANT TO ESCAPE REALITY FOR A LITTLE WHILE?
IT'S YAN! HOLDING HALF A STICK OF CANDY.. WHY IS SHE HERE?

景幽山亭
THREE NIGHTS BEFORE THE BATTLE, THE MOON SHINES BRIGHTLY IN THE SKY -
BEFORE THE BATTLE


WOW, YAYU, YOU WERE RIGHT! THIS IS THE BEST SPOT TO VIEW THE CAPITAL'S NIGHTLIGHT. IT'S BEAUTIFUL HERE!
THERE ARE MANY BEAUTIFUL THINGS IN LIFE IF YOU JUST STOP TO REST FOR A MOMENT AND LIFT YOUR HEAD, YOU WILL FIND THAT IT WAS THERE ALL ALONG
LOOKING AT THE PERSON IN FRONT OF HIM, EMOTIONLESS' NORMALLY COLD EYES SHOW A BIT OF WARMTH.

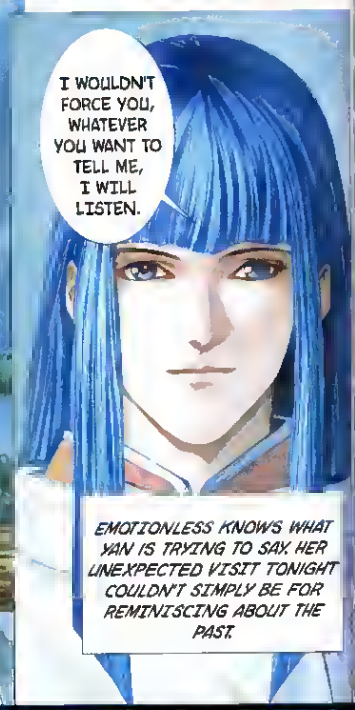
AHYA! I'M AMAZED TO HEAR YOU SAY SUCH A BRIGHT AND CHEERY THING. YOU WERE SO DARK AND GLOOMY BEFORE. THIS MASTER ZHUGE MUST BE INCREDIBLE TO CHANGE YOU SO MUCH!
NO HINT OF THE BRONZE MASK'S COLDNESS IS SEEN IN YAN'S EYES EITHER.


I THINK OF UNCLE AS MY REAL FATHER. BUT THE ONLY ONE WHO CHANGED ME. WHO MADE ME SEE THE COLORS OF THE WORLD... WAS YOU!
THEY TOSS ASIDE THEIR ROLES AND FOR A MOMENT ESCAPE FROM THE BURDEN OF THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES.

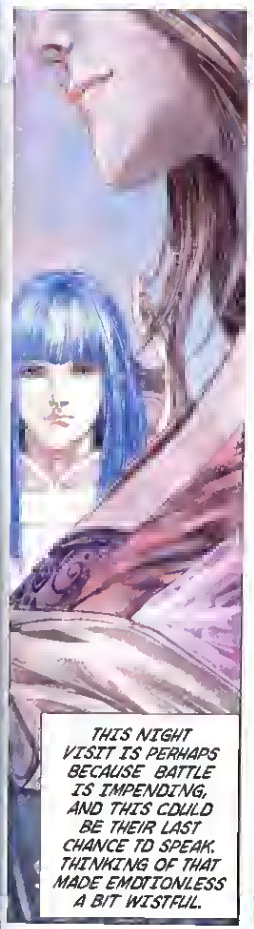


AH! THE RUMORS SAY THAT YOU ARE THE SMARTEST OF FOUR CONSTABLES... I KIND OF DIDN'T BELIEVE IT, BUT ONE QUESTION FROM YOU AND I SEE THEY WERE RIGHT!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

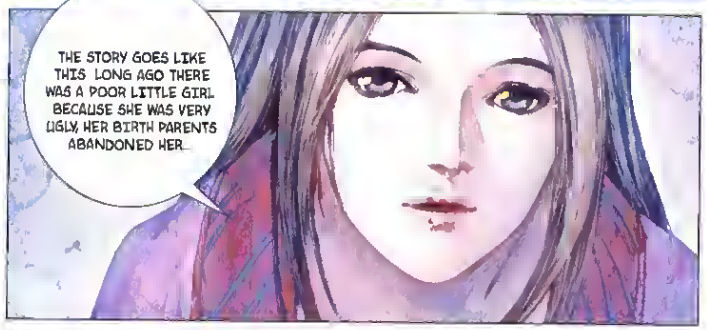
DON'T PRETEND IN FRONT OF ME! IT SEEMS LIKE A SIMPLE QUESTION, BUT IT'S MORE LIKE A SNOWFLAKE THAT WILL CAUSE AN AVALANCHE. IF YOU WANT TO KNOW THEN I WOULD HAVE TO TELL YOU EVERYTHING, MY RELATIONSHIP WITH THE BRONZE MASK, PERHAPS EVEN THE SECRET OF THE 13 MASKED MEN!



EMOTIONLESS KNOWS WHAT YAN IS TRYING TO SAY. HER UNEXPECTED VISIT TONIGHT COULDN'T SIMPLY BE FOR REMINISCING ABOUT THE PAST.



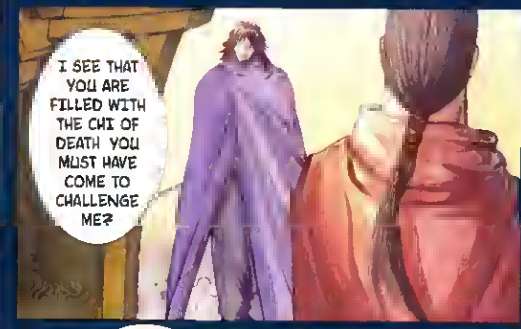
THIS NIGHT VISIT IS PERHAPS BECAUSE BATTLE IS IMPENDING, AND THIS COULD BE THEIR LAST CHANCE TO SPEAK. THINKING OF THAT MADE EMOTIONLESS A BIT WISTFUL.

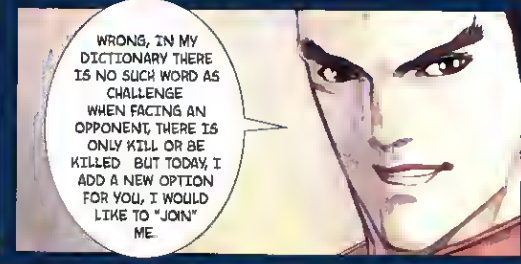


BUT FATE WAS NOT SO UNKIND, AND A WONDERFUL, KIND-HEARTED PERSON ADOPTED THE UGLY LITTLE GIRL. SHE DID NOT BECOME A UGLY LITTLE GHOST...
THE NAME OF THIS KIND-HEARTED PERSON WAS LIUPING LEN!

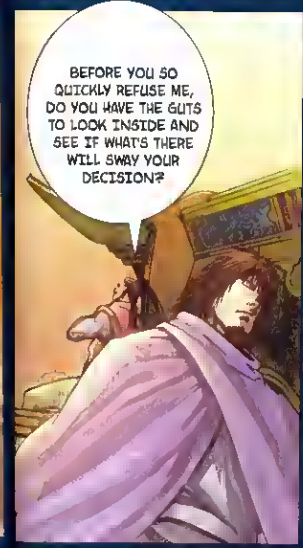
LOOKING POOR AND UNKEMPT, LIUPING LED THE LIFE OF A WANDERING MARTIAL ARTS PERFORMER. BUT HE HAD A BIG SECRET...
30 YEARS AGO, LIUPING LEN WAS THE FAMOUS UNDEFEATED HIDDEN WEAPONS EXPERT OF THE SOUTH
ALTHOUGH HIS WEAPONS SEEMED CRUEL, LIUPING LEN WAS A NOBLE MAN, AND NEVER KILLED ANYONE WHO DID NOT TRULY DESERVED IT.
LIUPING PREFERRED SOLITUDE, AND WAS WITHOUT MANY FRIENDS. THIS GAVE HIM AN AIR OF MYSTERY.
BUT HIS FAME ATTRACTED UNWANTED ATTENTION. ONE DAY A LUXURIOUS WAGON BLOCKED HIS PATH. THE DRIVER OF THE WAGON WAS THE BOSS OF THE 13 MASKED MEN.

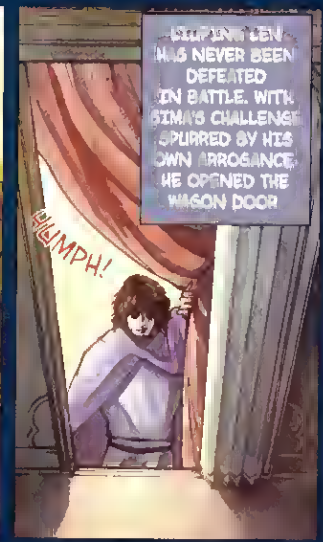
SIMA HUANGFEN


I SEE THAT YOU ARE FILLED WITH THE CHI OF DEATH. YOU MUST HAVE COME TO CHALLENGE ME?


WRONG, IN MY DICTIONARY THERE IS NO SUCH WORD AS CHALLENGE. WHEN FACING AN OPPONENT, THERE IS ONLY KILL OR BE KILLED. BUT TODAY, I ADD A NEW OPTION FOR YOU, I WOULD LIKE TO "JOIN" ME.

I HAVE ALWAYS TRAVELED ALONE. THANK YOU FOR THE OFFER, BUT I REFUSE.


BEFORE YOU SO QUICKLY REFUSE ME, DO YOU HAVE THE GUTS TO LOOK INSIDE AND SEE IF WHAT'S THERE WILL SWAY YOUR DECISION?


LIUPING LEN HAS NEVER BEEN DEFEATED IN BATTLE. WITH SIMA'S CHALLENGE SPURRED BY HIS OWN ARROGANCE, HE OPENED THE WAGON DOOR
HUMPH!

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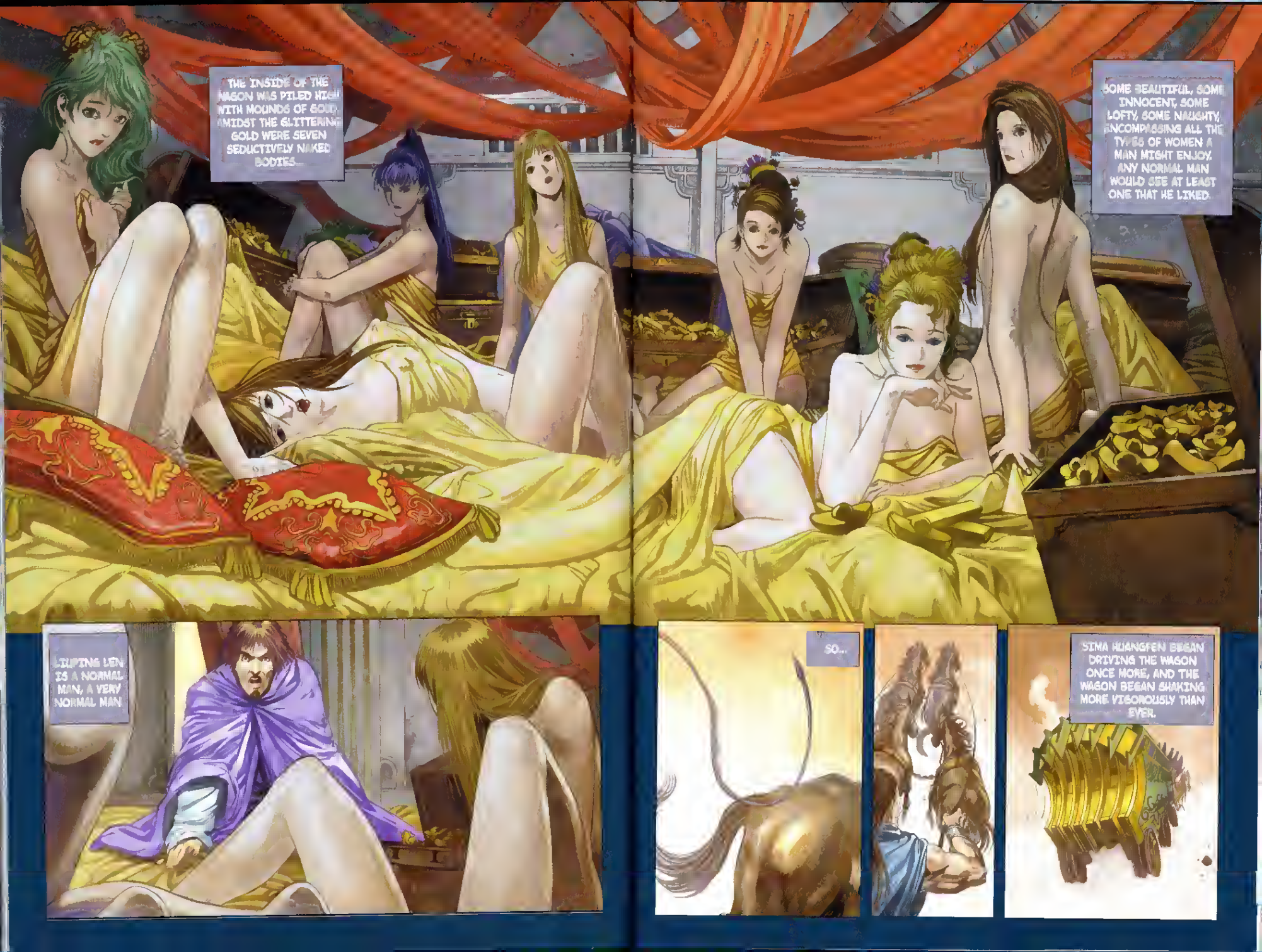
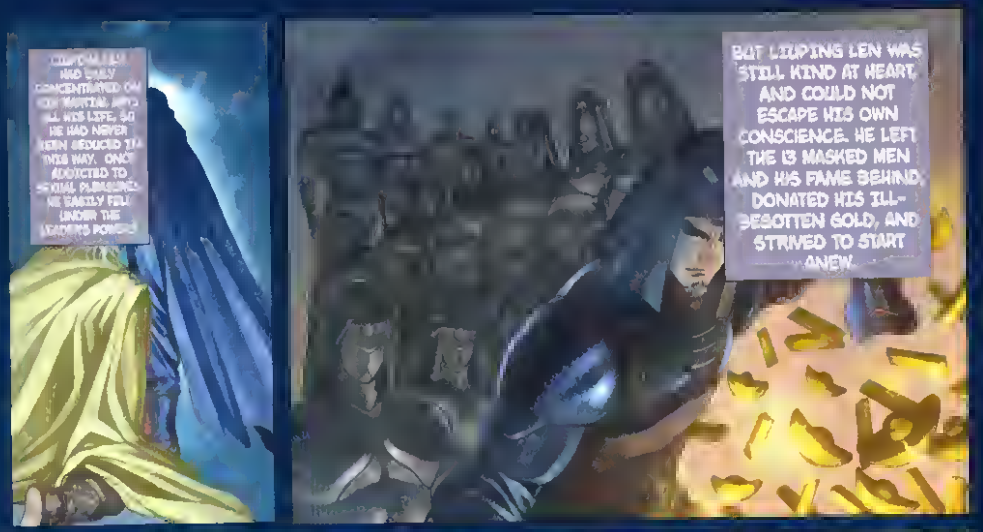
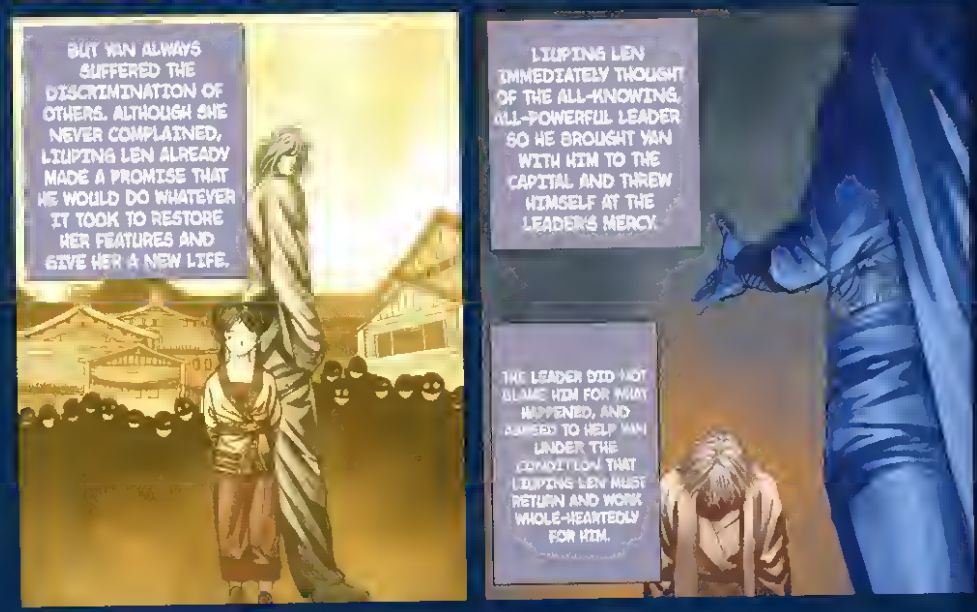
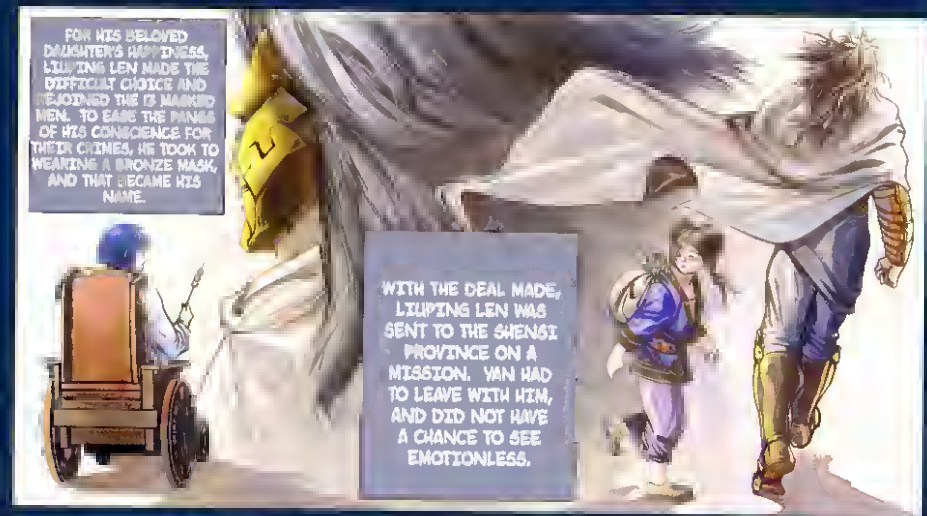

THE INSIDE OF THE WAGON WAS PILED HIGH WITH MOUNDS OF GOLD. AMIDST THE GLITTERING GOLD WERE SEVEN SEDUCTIVELY NAKED BODIES...
SOME BEAUTIFUL, SOME INNOCENT, SOME LOFTY, SOME NAUGHTY, ENCOMPASSING ALL THE TYPES OF WOMEN A MAN MIGHT ENJOY. ANY NORMAL MAN WOULD SEE AT LEAST ONE THAT HE LIKED.
LIUPING LEN IS A NORMAL MAN, A VERY NORMAL MAN.
SO...
SIMA HUANGFEN BEGAN DRIVING THE WAGON ONCE MORE, AND THE WAGON BEGAN SHAKING MORE VIGOROUSLY THAN EVER.


LIUPING LEN HAD EARLY CONCENTRATED ON KUNG FU MARTIAL ARTS ALL HIS LIFE, SO HE HAD NEVER BEEN SEDUCED IN THIS WAY. ONCE ADDICTED TO SEXUAL PLEASURES, HE EASILY FELL UNDER THE LEADER'S POWER!
BUT LIUPING LEN WAS STILL KIND AT HEART, AND COULD NOT ESCAPE HIS OWN CONSCIENCE. HE LEFT THE 13 MASKED MEN AND HIS FAME BEHIND, DONATED HIS ILL-GOTTEN GOLD, AND STRIVED TO START ANEW.

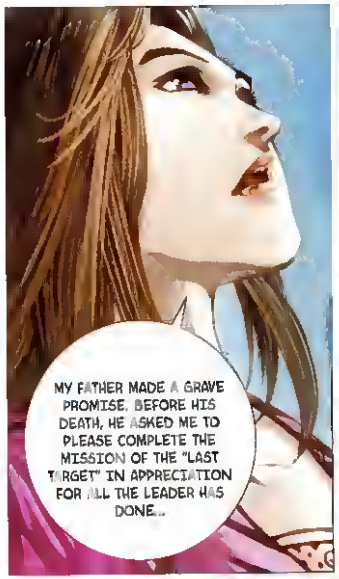
HE TURNED HIMSELF INTO A TRAVELLING ARTIST, BELIEVING THAT WOULD BE ENOUGH, BUT DESTINY BROUGHT HIM POOR YAN AND TURBULENCE RETURNED TO HIS LIFE...
LIUPING LEN LOVED THE BABY ALL THE MORE BECAUSE HE KNEW IT WOULD FACE MANY CHALLENGES FOR HAVING BEEN BORN UGLY. HE EVEN NAMED HER "YAN" (BEAUTIFUL IN CHINESE) TO ENCOURAGE THE THOUGHT OF BEAUTY.


BUT YAN ALWAYS SUFFERED THE DISCRIMINATION OF OTHERS. ALTHOUGH SHE NEVER COMPLAINED, LIUPING LEN ALREADY MADE A PROMISE THAT HE WOULD DO WHATEVER IT TOOK TO RESTORE HER FEATURES AND GIVE HER A NEW LIFE.
LIUPING LEN IMMEDIATELY THOUGHT OF THE ALL-KNOWING, ALL-POWERFUL LEADER SO HE BROUGHT YAN WITH HIM TO THE CAPITAL AND THREW HIMSELF AT THE LEADER'S MERCY.
THE LEADER DID NOT BLAME HIM FOR WHAT HAPPENED, AND AGREED TO HELP YAN UNDER THE CONDITION THAT LIUPING LEN MUST RETURN AND WORK WHOLE-HEARTEDLY FOR HIM.


FOR HIS BELOVED DAUGHTER'S HAPPINESS, LIUPING LEN MADE THE DIFFICULT CHOICE AND REJOINED THE 13 MASKED MEN. TO EASE THE PANGS OF HIS CONSCIENCE FOR THEIR CRIMES, HE TOOK TO WEARING A BRONZE MASK, AND THAT BECAME HIS NAME.
WITH THE DEAL MADE, LIUPING LEN WAS SENT TO THE SHENSI PROVINCE ON A MISSION. YAN HAD TO LEAVE WITH HIM, AND DID NOT HAVE A CHANCE TO SEE EMOTIONLESS.

THE LEADER BROUGHT IN A MIRACLE DOCTOR FOR LIUPING LEN'S SACRIFICE, AND AFTER SEVEN DAYS AND SEVEN NIGHTS, YAN'S FACE WAS MADE BEAUTIFUL.

TWO YEARS AGO, LIUPING LEN SUDDENLY DIED OF ILLNESS, SO YAN PUT ON HIS MASK TO COMPLETE BRONZE MASK'S PROMISE. BUT WHAT THE PROMISE ENTAILED, OR THE DETAILS REMAINED KNOWN ONLY TO THE LEADER AND SIMA HUANGFEN.


MY FATHER MADE A GRAVE PROMISE. BEFORE HIS DEATH, HE ASKED ME TO PLEASE COMPLETE THE MISSION OF THE "LAST TARGET" IN APPRECIATION FOR ALL THE LEADER HAS DONE...

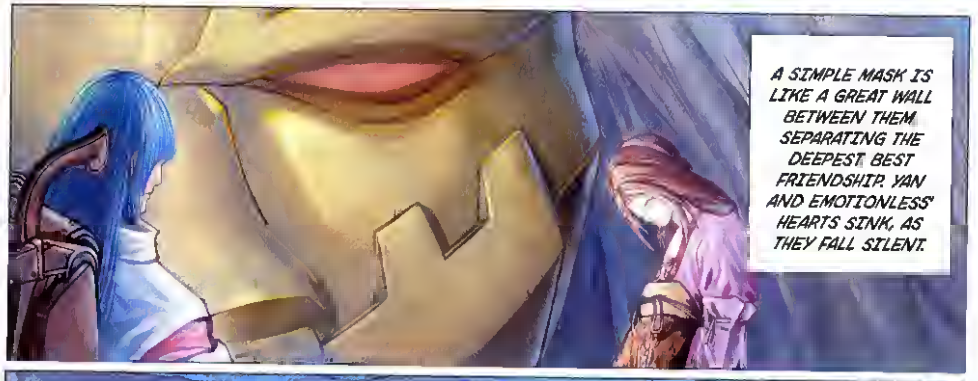
THAT IS ALL I CAN TELL YOU. IS THAT OKAY?

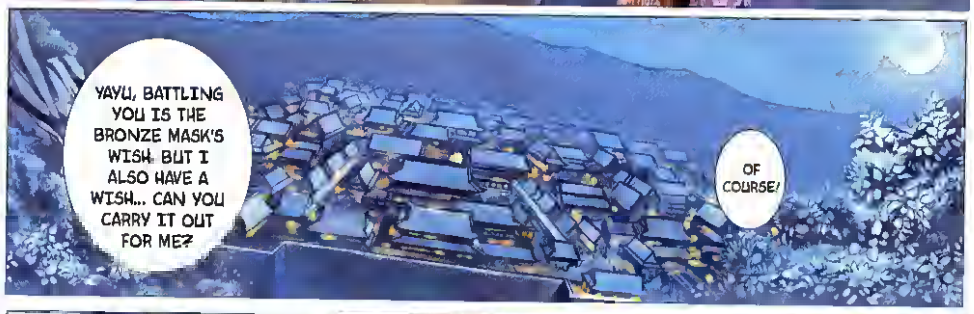
YOU KNOW I AM NOT THE TYPE OF PERSON TO PRESS YOU FOR ANSWERS, BUT MASTER LEN... DID HE REALLY WANT A DUEL WITH ME?
WHEN HE FIRST MET BRONZE MASK, BRONZE MASK HAD SAID THAT BATTLING EMOTIONLESS WAS HIS FONDEST WISH. EMOTIONLESS REMEMBERED THAT LINE WELL.

WHY WOULD I LIE TO YOU! YOU'RE SO HANDSOME AND WISE, AND YOUR KUNG FU IS SO GOOD, OF COURSE HE WOULD TARGET YOU!

YOU SILLY GIRL, WHEN YOU TAKE OFF YOUR MASK, YOU ARE THE SAME AS BEFORE---NAUGHTY!

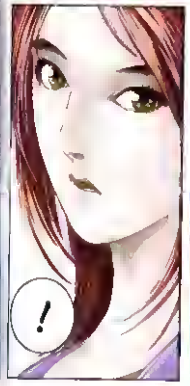
BUT 3 DAYS HENCE I WILL HAVE TO WEAR THAT MASK AGAIN!


A SIMPLE MASK IS LIKE A GREAT WALL BETWEEN THEM, SEPARATING THE DEEPEST BEST FRIENDSHIP. YAN AND EMOTIONLESS' HEARTS SINK, AS THEY FALL SILENT.


YAYU, BATTLING YOU IS THE BRONZE MASK'S WISH. BUT I ALSO HAVE A WISH... CAN YOU CARRY IT OUT FOR ME?
OF COURSE!

YOU DIDN'T EVEN ASK WHAT I WISHED, AREN'T YOU AFRAID I WOULD ASK YOU DO TO SOMETHING BAD?

I'M NOT AFRAID, BECAUSE YOU ARE NOT WEARING YOUR MASK!
ALL RIGHT THEN, CLOSE YOUR EYES RIGHT NOW. I WILL STAB YOU ONCE FOR GOOD MEASURE, SO YOU WON'T BOTHER US LATER ON!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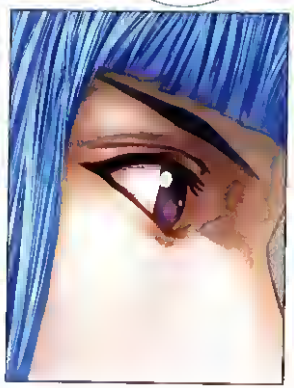
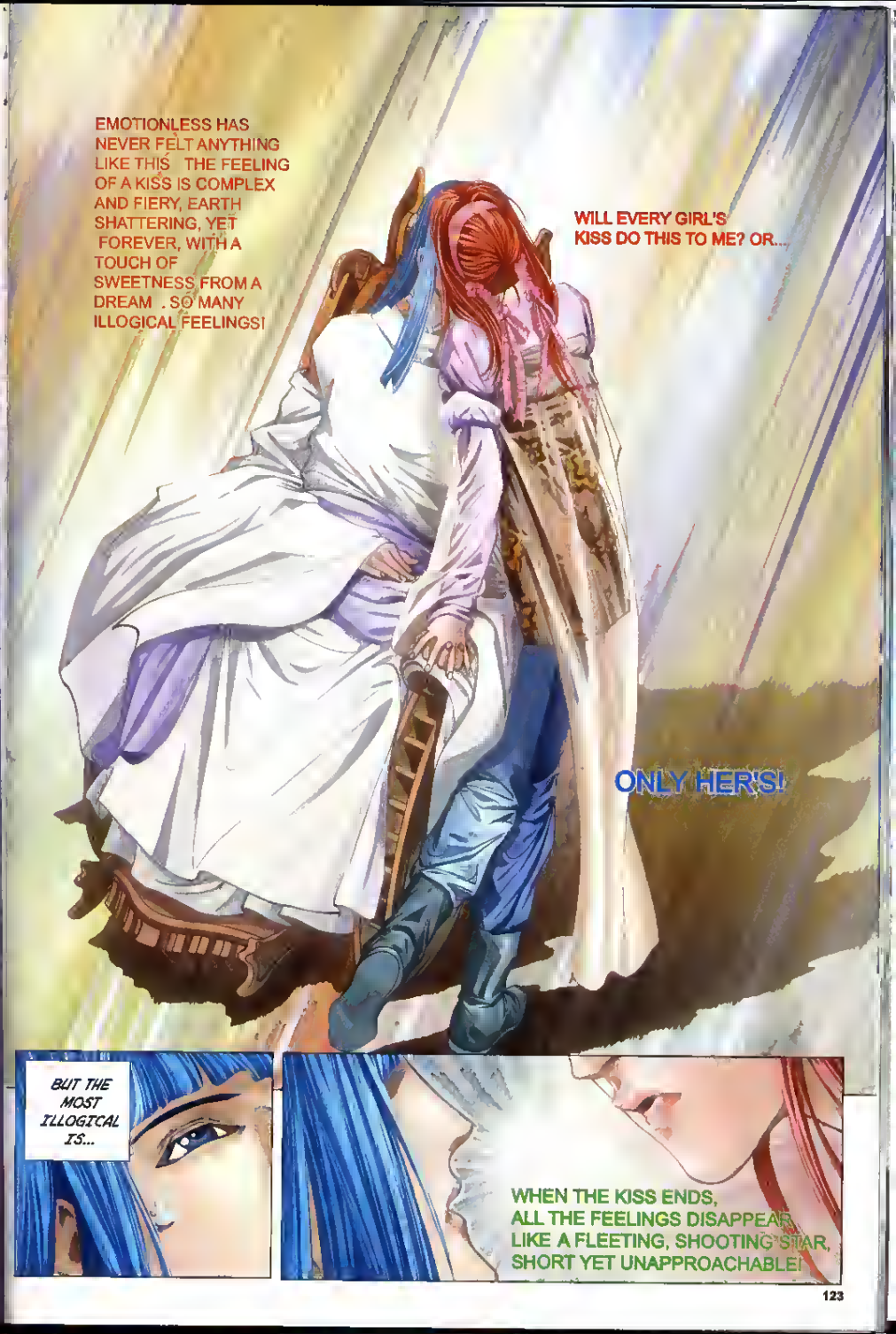
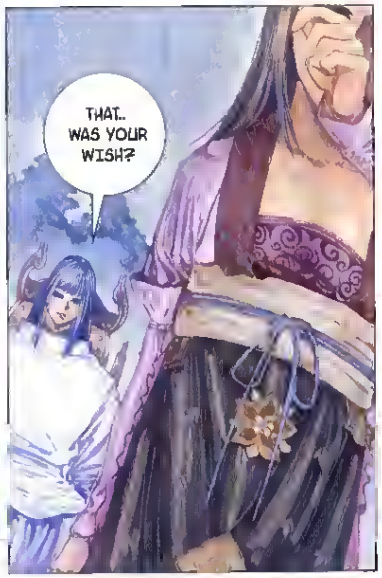
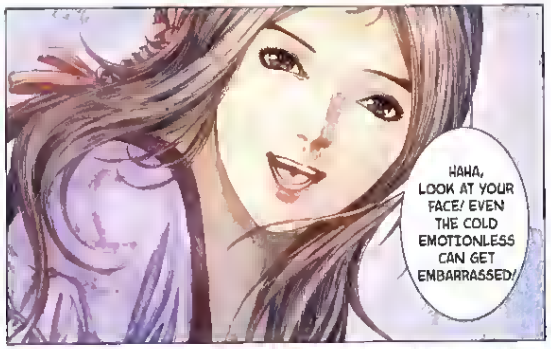
YOU...BIG IDIOT!




EMOTIONLESS HAS NEVER FELT ANYTHING LIKE THIS THE FEELING OF A KISS IS COMPLEX AND FIERY, EARTH SHATTERING, YET FOREVER, WITH A TOUCH OF SWEETNESS FROM A DREAM . SO MANY ILLOGICAL FEELINGS!
WILL EVERY GIRL'S KISS DO THIS TO ME? OR...
ONLY HER'S!
BUT THE MOST ILLOGICAL IS...
WHEN THE KISS ENDS, ALL THE FEELINGS DISAPPEAR LIKE A FLEETING, SHOOTING STAR, SHORT YET UNAPPROACHABLE!


THAT.. WAS YOUR WISH?


HAHA, LOOK AT YOUR FACE! EVEN THE COLD EMOTIONLESS CAN GET EMBARRASSED!

EMOTIONLESS REMAINED SILENT. SOME THINGS ARE BETTER LEFT UNSPOKEN. WHEN THINGS ARE MADE TOO PLAIN, IT WILL ONLY MAKE REALITY MORE DIFFICULT TO FACE. THIS WAY IT IS BETTER FOR BOTH PARTIES.

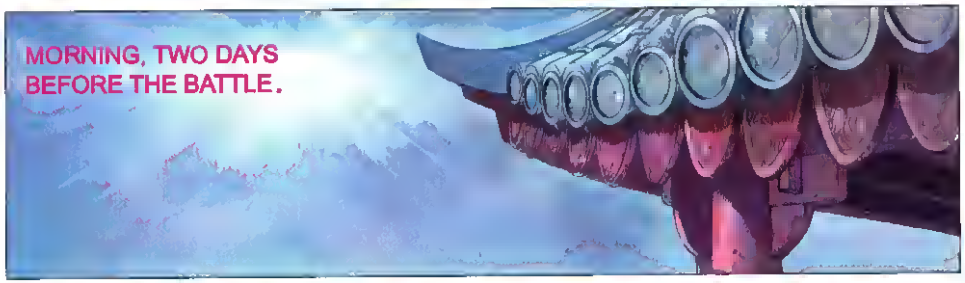
WOW, TIME IS GOING BY SO QUICKLY, IT WILL SOON BE TIME TO PART.

YES. NO ONE CAN ESCAPE REALITY FOREVER!

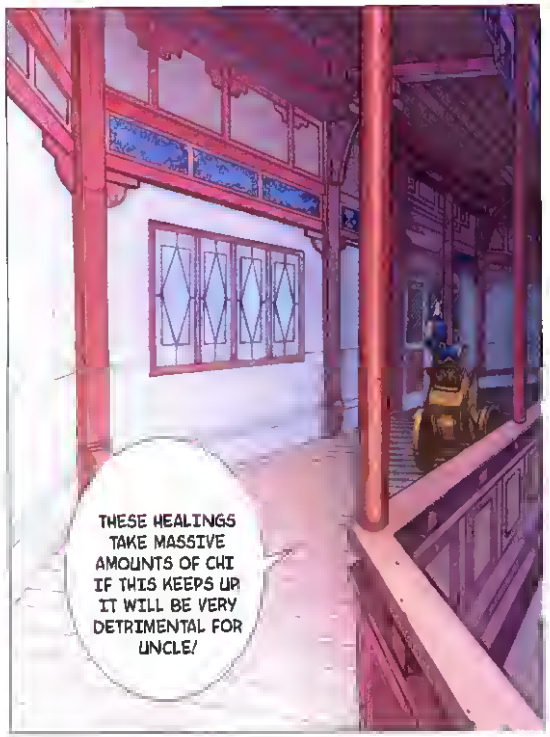
BEFORE WE PART, I WANT TO TELL YOU ONE MORE THING. THE BRONZE MASK SAYS THAT BEFORE HOSTAGES ARE EXCHANGED, HE WILL DO HIS BEST TO PROTECT LIFE SNATCHER'S LIFE IN RETURN FOR THAT FAVOR IN FRONT OF THE TEMPLE...
NOW YOU BOTH ARE EVEN!

WHEN THE TIME COMES, ONLY ONE OF US WILL SURVIVE!
I THANK YOU FOR THE INFORMATION. I WILL DO MY BEST!

I'M SURE THE BRONZE MASK WILL BE VERY HAPPY TO HEAR YOUR ANSWER!

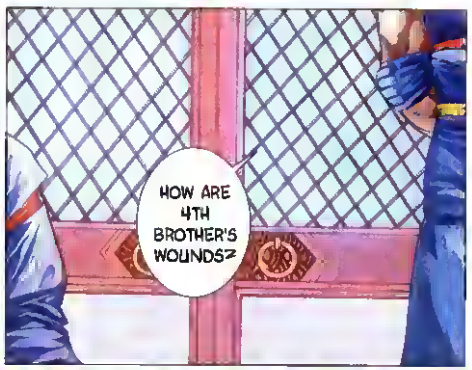

MORNING, TWO DAYS BEFORE THE BATTLE.

IS UNCLE KILLING HIMSELF FOR THE DUKE AGAIN?
YUP!


THESE HEALINGS TAKE MASSIVE AMOUNTS OF CHI IF THIS KEEPS UP IT WILL BE VERY DETRIMENTAL FOR UNCLE!

OF COURSE I KNOW THAT AS WELL, BUT UNCLE INSISTS THAT I KEEP UP MY STRENGTH. SINCE THE DOCTOR IS STILL BUSY, THIS IS THE ONLY WAY.

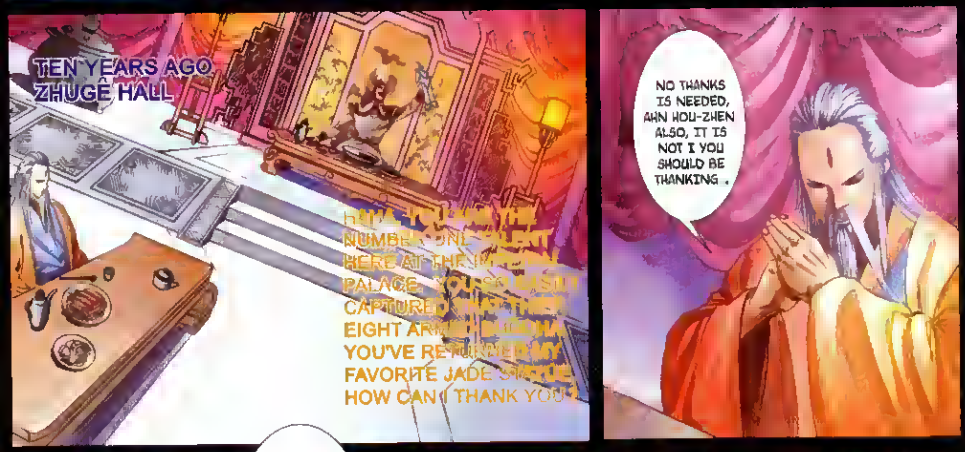
BEFORE THE DUKE FELL UNCONSCIOUS HE MENTIONED A NAME CAI DO YOU THINK HE IS REFERRING TO THE BISHOP JING CAI? IF SO, THEN WE DEFINITELY CAN NOT TELL ANYONE THAT DUKE ZHU WU IS STILL ALIVE!

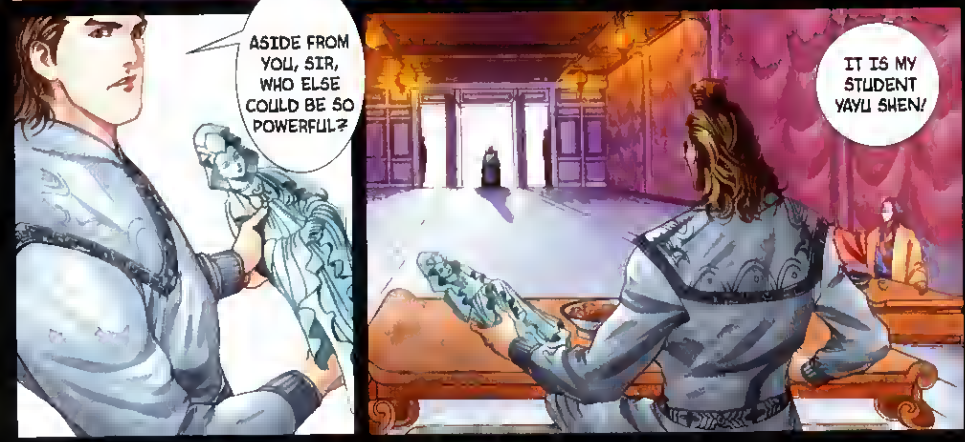

HOW ARE 4TH BROTHER'S WOUNDS?

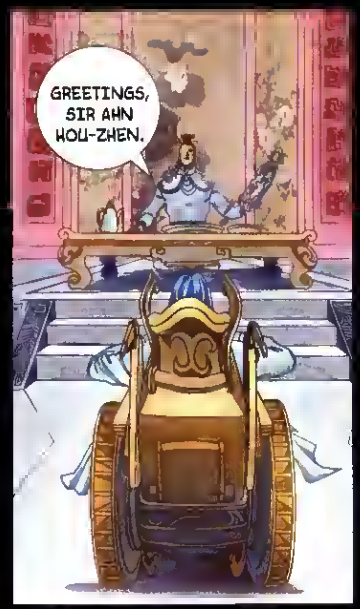
AH...
ALTHOUGH HE LIVES, HIS MARTIAL ARTS ABILITY IS GONE... BAI-YU ZHOU WAS TOO CRUEL!
AFTER THIS CASE CLOSES, I WILL FIND THAT NORTH CITY MASTER AND SHOW HIM SOME JUSTICE!

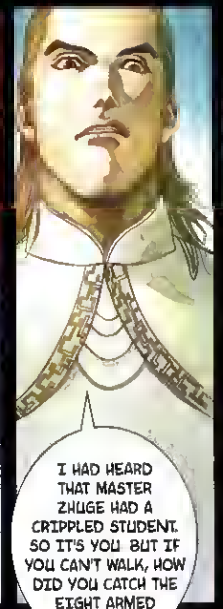
BUT COMPARED TO THE DUKE, 4TH BROTHER IS THE LUCKY ONE. THE DUKE'S ENTIRE HOUSEHOLD WAS MASSACRED. EVEN IF WE SOMEHOW SAVE HIM, WE WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO HEAL THE WOUND IN HIS HEART...

THAT'S RIGHT, EVEN HIS ONLY SON WAS KILLED!
SPEAKING OF THE DUKE'S SON, AHN HOU-ZHEN, ALTHOUGH SOMETIMES ARROGANT AND CONCEITED, HE WAS GENERALLY A GOOD MAN IT'S A SHAME THAT HE DIED SO YOUNG.


TEN YEARS AGO
ZHUGE HALL
NO THANKS IS NEEDED, AHN HOU-ZHEN ALSO, IT IS NOT I YOU SHOULD BE THANKING.


ASIDE FROM YOU, SIR, WHO ELSE COULD BE SO POWERFUL?
IT IS MY STUDENT YAYU SHEN!

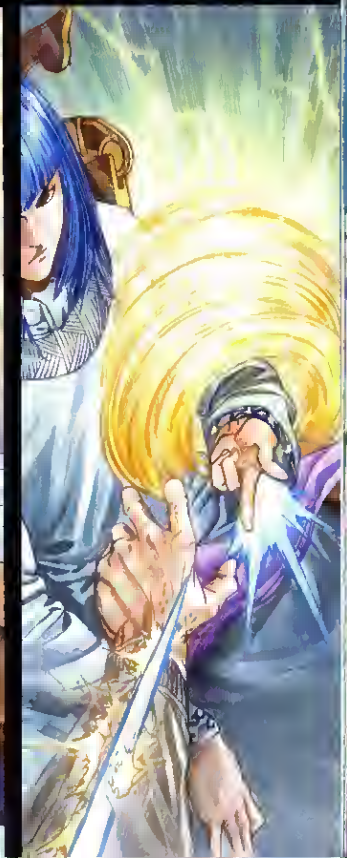

GREETINGS, SIR AHN HOU-ZHEN.

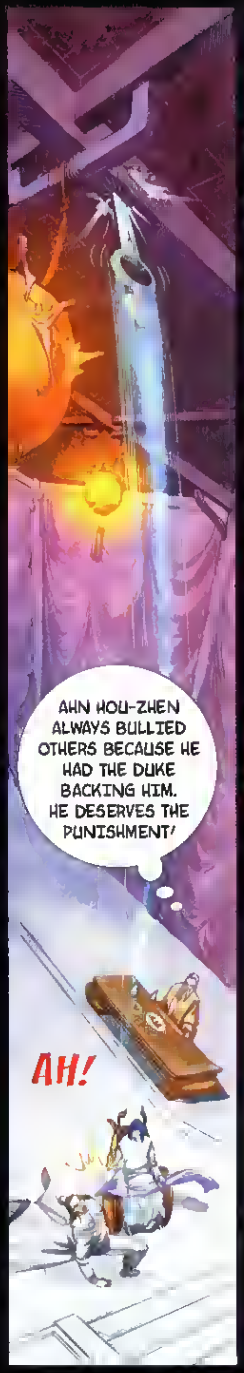

I HAD HEARD THAT MASTER ZHUGE HAD A CRIPPLED STUDENT. SO IT'S YOU. BUT IF YOU CAN'T WALK, HOW DID YOU CATCH THE EIGHT ARMED BUDDHA?

WITH LIGHTFOOT...
AND HIDDEN WEAPONS.

NO WAY! I DON'T BELIEVE IT. ALLOW ME TO TEST YOU...

LET US SEE WHAT YOU'RE MADE OF!

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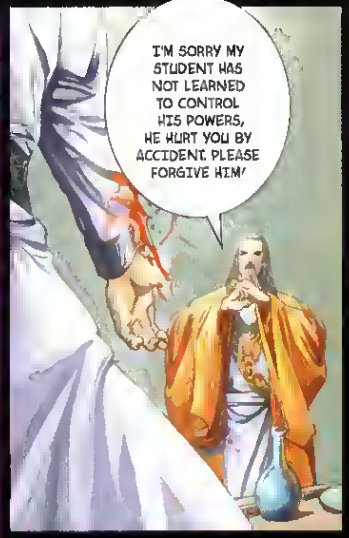
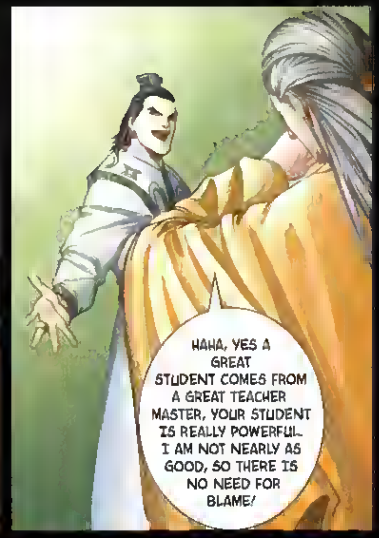
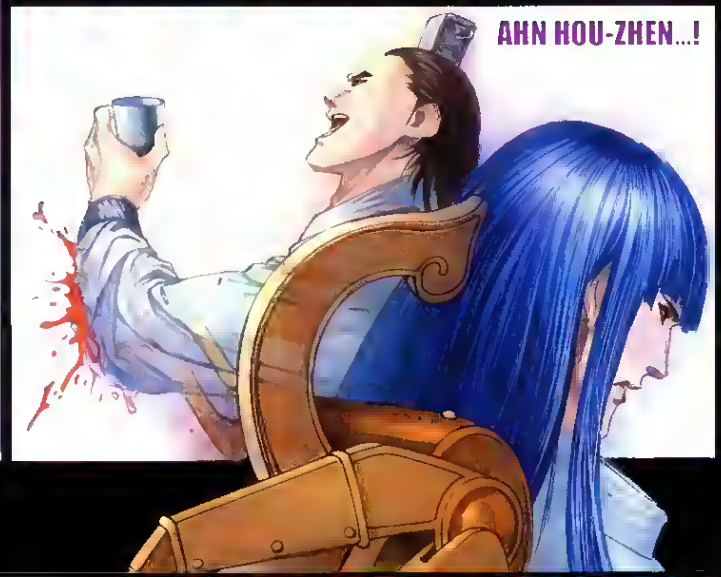

I'M SORRY MY STUDENT HAS NOT LEARNED TO CONTROL HIS POWERS, HE HURT YOU BY ACCIDENT. PLEASE FORGIVE HIM!

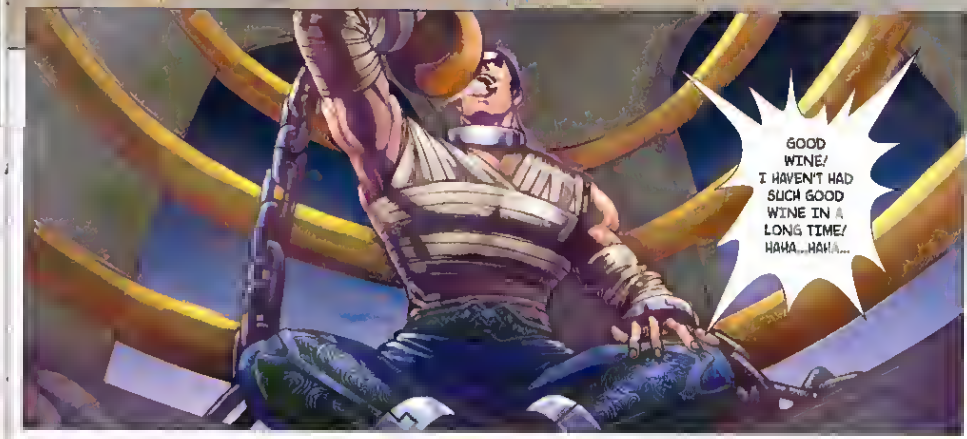

HAHA, YES A GREAT STUDENT COMES FROM A GREAT TEACHER MASTER, YOUR STUDENT IS REALLY POWERFUL. I AM NOT NEARLY AS GOOD, SO THERE IS NO NEED FOR BLAME!

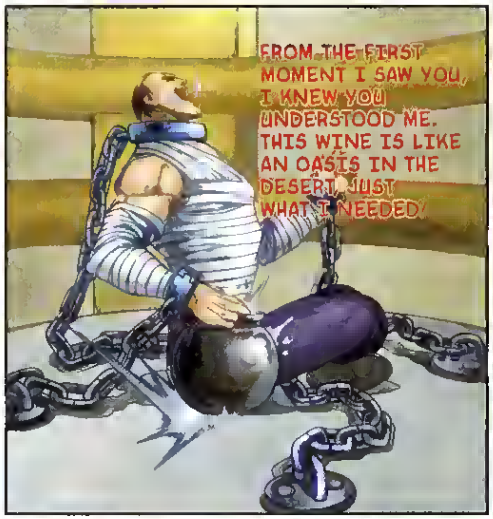
MY BROTHER, I MAKE THIS TOAST TO YOU. LET US BE FRIENDS!

AHN HOU-ZHEN ALWAYS BULLIED OTHERS BECAUSE HE HAD THE DUKE BACKING HIM. HE DESERVES THE PUNISHMENT!


AHN HOU-ZHEN...!

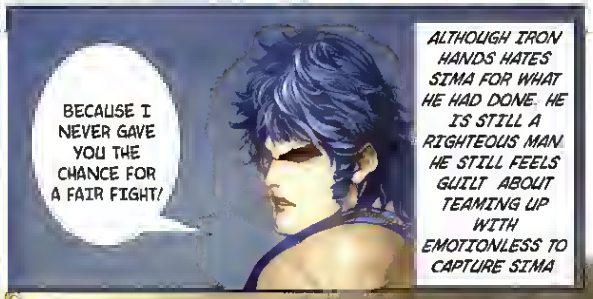
FIVE LOCK PRISON
MASTER ZHUGE MADE IT TO IMPRISON DANGEROUS CRIMINALS. CREATED BY THE MOST FAMOUS BLACKSMITH WITH A RARE PRECIOUS METAL, IT TOOK SEVEN YEARS TO MANUFACTURE THIS CELL. EVEN THE MOST POWERFUL PRISONER WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO BREAK FREE.
THE CELL FLOATS ON WATER. SO IF THERE ARE ANY MOVEMENTS. AN ALARM IS IMMEDIATELY SOUNDED


GOOD WINE! I HAVEN'T HAD SUCH GOOD WINE IN A LONG TIME! HAHA...HAHA...

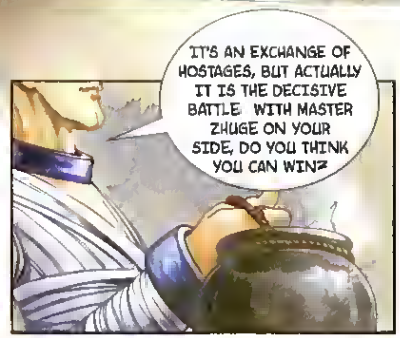

FROM THE FIRST MOMENT I SAW YOU, I KNEW YOU UNDERSTOOD ME. THIS WINE IS LIKE AN OASIS IN THE DESERT, JUST WHAT I NEEDED!

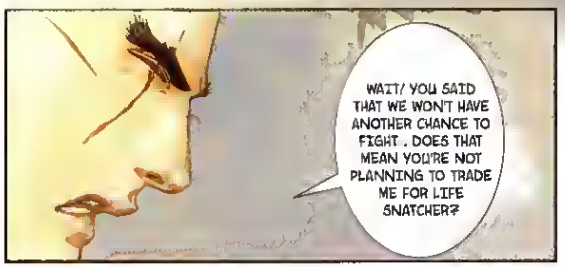
SORRY, I DON'T DESERVE SUCH PRAISE. THE ONLY THING I AM SUITED TO BE IS YOUR ENEMY!

IF YOU ARE MY ENEMY AND NOT MY FRIEND, THEN WHY DID YOU BRING ME THIS WINE?


BECAUSE I NEVER GAVE YOU THE CHANCE FOR A FAIR FIGHT!
ALTHOUGH IRON HANDS HATES SIMA FOR WHAT HE HAD DONE. HE IS STILL A RIGHTEOUS MAN. HE STILL FEELS GUILT ABOUT TEAMING UP WITH EMOTIONLESS TO CAPTURE SIMA

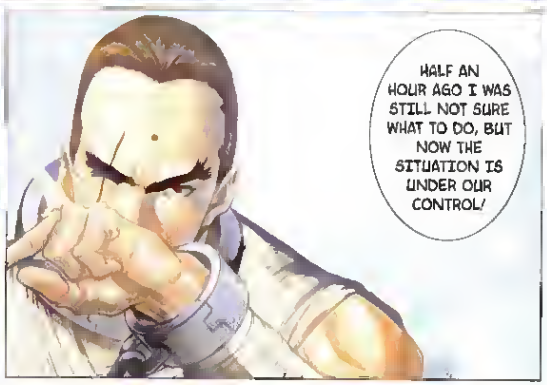
HAHA, FROM YOUR TALK, IT SEEMS LIKE THE MATTER WITH THE 13 MASKED MEN IS ALMOST AT AN END!
THAT IS RIGHT IN TWO DAYS WE WILL DO THE EXCHANGE!

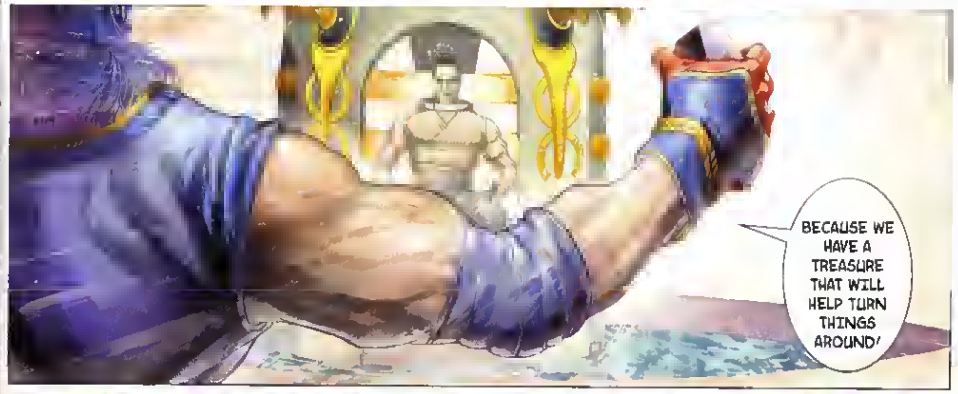

IT'S AN EXCHANGE OF HOSTAGES, BUT ACTUALLY IT IS THE DECISIVE BATTLE WITH MASTER ZHUGE ON YOUR SIDE, DO YOU THINK YOU CAN WIN?


WAIT! YOU SAID THAT WE WON'T HAVE ANOTHER CHANCE TO FIGHT . DOES THAT MEAN YOU'RE NOT PLANNING TO TRADE ME FOR LIFE SNATCHER?

THAT'S RIGHT! YOU'VE BEEN WORKING BEHIND THE SCENES WHILE WE ARE OUT IN THE OPEN. WE'VE BEEN LED AROUND BY OUR NOSES. IT'S DAMN IRRITATING, SO...
THIS TIME WE ARE TURNING THE TABLES ON YOU. WE WILL DO SOMETHING OUTRAGEOUS!

SOUNDS GOOD, BUT DO YOU THINK YOU CAN SUCCEED?


HALF AN HOUR AGO I WAS STILL NOT SURE WHAT TO DO, BUT NOW THE SITUATION IS UNDER OUR CONTROL!


BECAUSE WE HAVE A TREASURE THAT WILL HELP TURN THINGS AROUND!

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A TREASURE? WHAT IS THE TREASURE IRON HANDS HAS? WHAT IS SO POWERFUL?

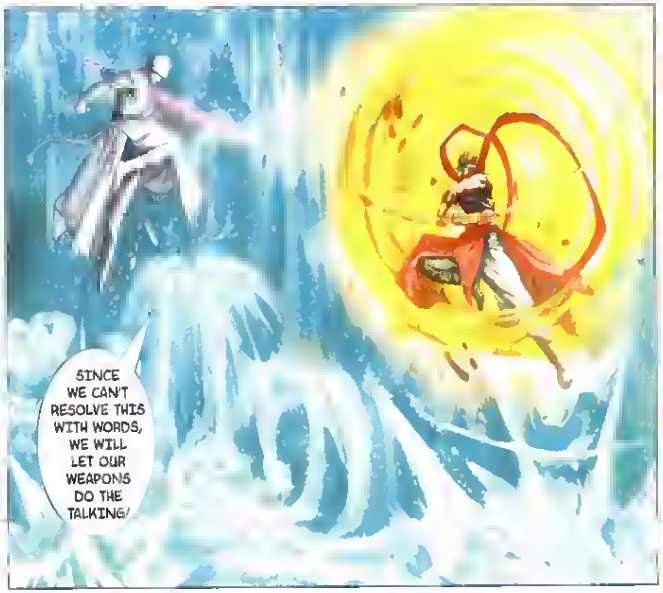
BROTHER YIN, IF YOU CONTINUE TO BLOCK THE ROAD, I WILL BE FORCED TO SHOW YOU MY SWORD!
SHO!
ICE TIP SWORD
FROST BITE EVERYWHERE
EEEE!

FRRRSH
I'VE ALWAYS FOLLOWED MATTERS THROUGH TO THE END IF YOU WANT TO GET RID OF ME, YOU'LL HAVE TO SHOW ME WHAT YOU'RE MADE OF!
CLANG
SHUT UP!
CHA?
AS FOR SKILL, MINE IS DEFINITELY BETTER!
ICE-BILLOW-STARTLING-WAVE
HA -

BROTHER ZHOU, YOU WILL REGRET NOT HEEDING MY ADVICE!
SHO -
IT IS UNCLEAR WHAT KIND OF WEAPONS THE MAN USED, BUT WITH A TWIRL OF HIS PALMS, HE TURNED HIS BLADE INTO A GIANT GOLDEN SHIELD, WHICH THE ICE WAVE CRASHES USELESSLY AGAINST!
BOOM...

YOU'VE GOTTEN BETTER, NO WONDER YOU DARE TO INTERFERE IN MY BUSINESS!

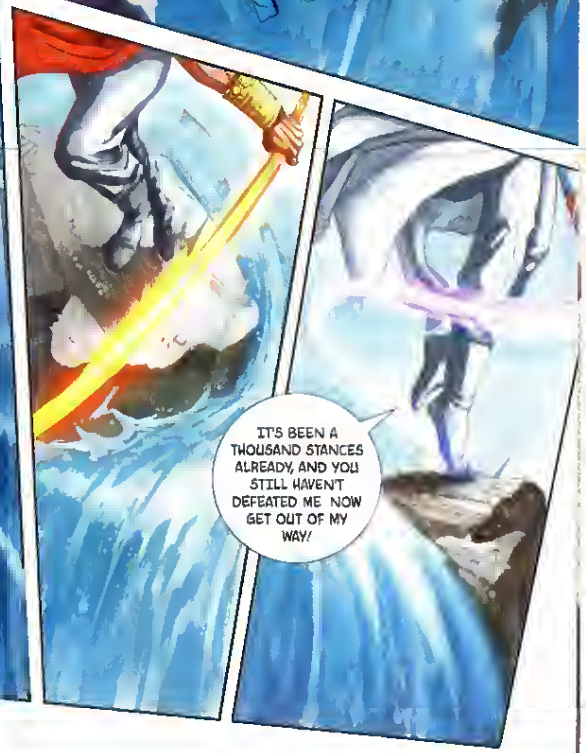
WE ARE STILL FRIENDS, I DON'T WANT TO SEE YOU WALK DOWN THE WRONG PATH!
FA!
THE GOLDEN SHIELD TURNS INTO A GOLDEN SPEAR!


SINCE WE CAN'T RESOLVE THIS WITH WORDS, WE WILL LET OUR WEAPONS DO THE TALKING!

PAPA...

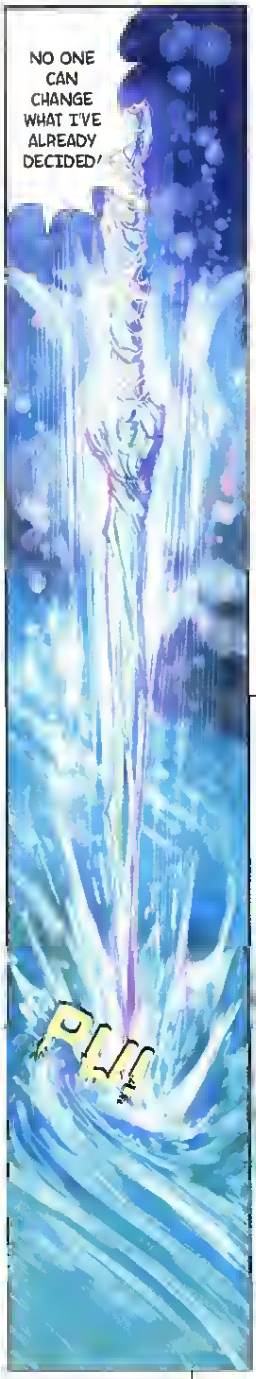
DANG DANG...

FWNG!

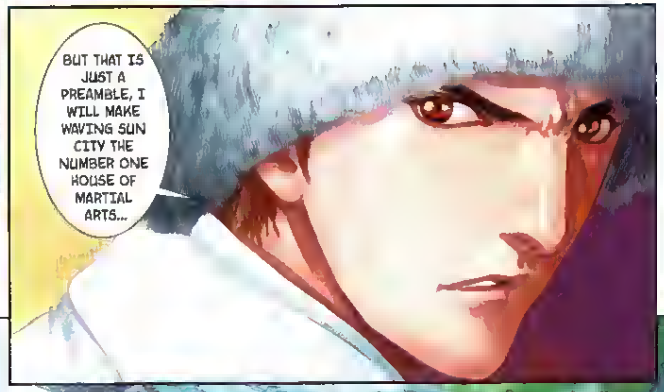

IT'S BEEN A THOUSAND STANCES ALREADY, AND YOU STILL HAVEN'T DEFEATED ME NOW GET OUT OF MY WAY!

SUFFER?
I AM THE FAMOUS BAI-YU ZHOU OF WAVING SUN CITY. I HAVE NEVER SUFFERED!
I HAVE DONE MY BEST AS A FRIEND. IF YOU REALLY WANT TO SUFFER THEN SO BE IT!
SHE

THE FOUR GREAT HOUSES OF MARTIAL ARTS MASTER OF SOUTH CLAN, CHENG FENG YIN
BATTLING ON PAR WITH BAI-YU ZHOU IS THE MASTER OF SOUTH CLAN CHENG-FENG YING. HIS MIEN IS STRONG AND COMMANDING FOR ONE SO YOUNG.
WEAPONS ARE DANGEROUS PLEASE RECONSIDER!
DURING THE DUEL CHENG-FENG YING USED COUNTLESS WEAPONS. BUT HIS HANDS ARE EMPTY? WHAT STRANGE WEAPON IS HE PLANNING ON USING NEXT?

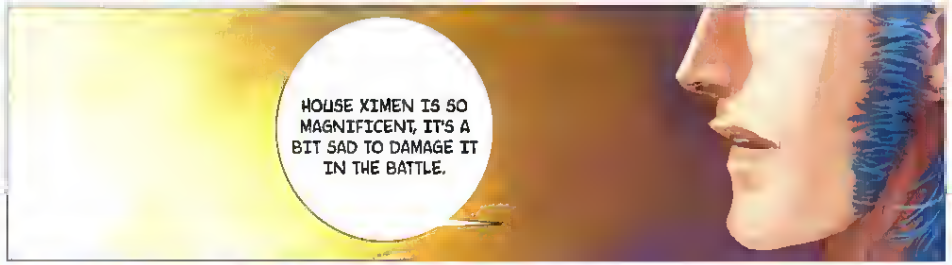

NO ONE CAN CHANGE WHAT I'VE ALREADY DECIDED!
PU

JUST DEFEATING ONE COLD BLOODED HAS ALREADY MADE YOU SO FAMOUS!


BUT THAT IS JUST A PREAMBLE, I WILL MAKE WAVING SUN CITY THE NUMBER ONE HOUSE OF MARTIAL ARTS...

ZHUGE HALL IS THE REAL STAGE!

NIGHT BEFORE THE BATTLE...
THE BATTLE WILL TAKE PLACE TOMORROW--


HOUSE XIMEN IS SO MAGNIFICENT, IT'S A BIT SAD TO DAMAGE IT IN THE BATTLE.

A BATTLEFIELD IS OFTEN LIKE A GRAVEYARD/ IF THERE ARE NO SURPRISES, THEN THE 13 MASKED MEN AND SIX OTHERS SHOULD BE GATHERED HERE--

IF OUR SURPRISE ATTACK DOESN'T SUCCEED, THEN THIS BEAUTIFUL PLACE WILL BE OUR BURIAL GROUND!
EMOTIONLESS AND IRON HANDS ARE ATTACKING THE ENEMY STRONGHOLD DIRECTLY. WILL THEY SUCCESSFULLY RESCUE LIFE SNATCHER? PLEASE SEE THE NEXT VOLUME OF THE FOUR CONSTABLES!
SURPRISE OF THE SURPRISE ATTACK
END OF VOLUME 3